

Security high on plot scare



New York police officers patrol Grand Central Terminal in New York, Sept. 9, 2011. New York increased subway searches and set up vehicle checkpoints on Friday as Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton said that al-Qaida was behind what officials had described as a possible car-bomb attack. (Yana Paskova/The New York Times)

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WASHINGTON – Bomb-sniffing dogs were deployed in the Washington subway, and the police searched vehicles at New York's Brooklyn Bridge on Friday as counterterrorism officials with frustratingly imprecise clues hunted for at least two men reportedly dispatched by al-Qaida to set off a car or truck bomb in New York or Washington.

Two senior American law enforcement officials said an informer in the Afghanistan-Pakistan region passed word of the plot, intended to coincide with the 10th anniversary of the Sept. 11 attacks, to U.S. intelligence officers Wednesday. The informer said two American citizens of Arab ancestry had left Afghanistan, traveled through one or more other countries and reached the United States as recently as last week.

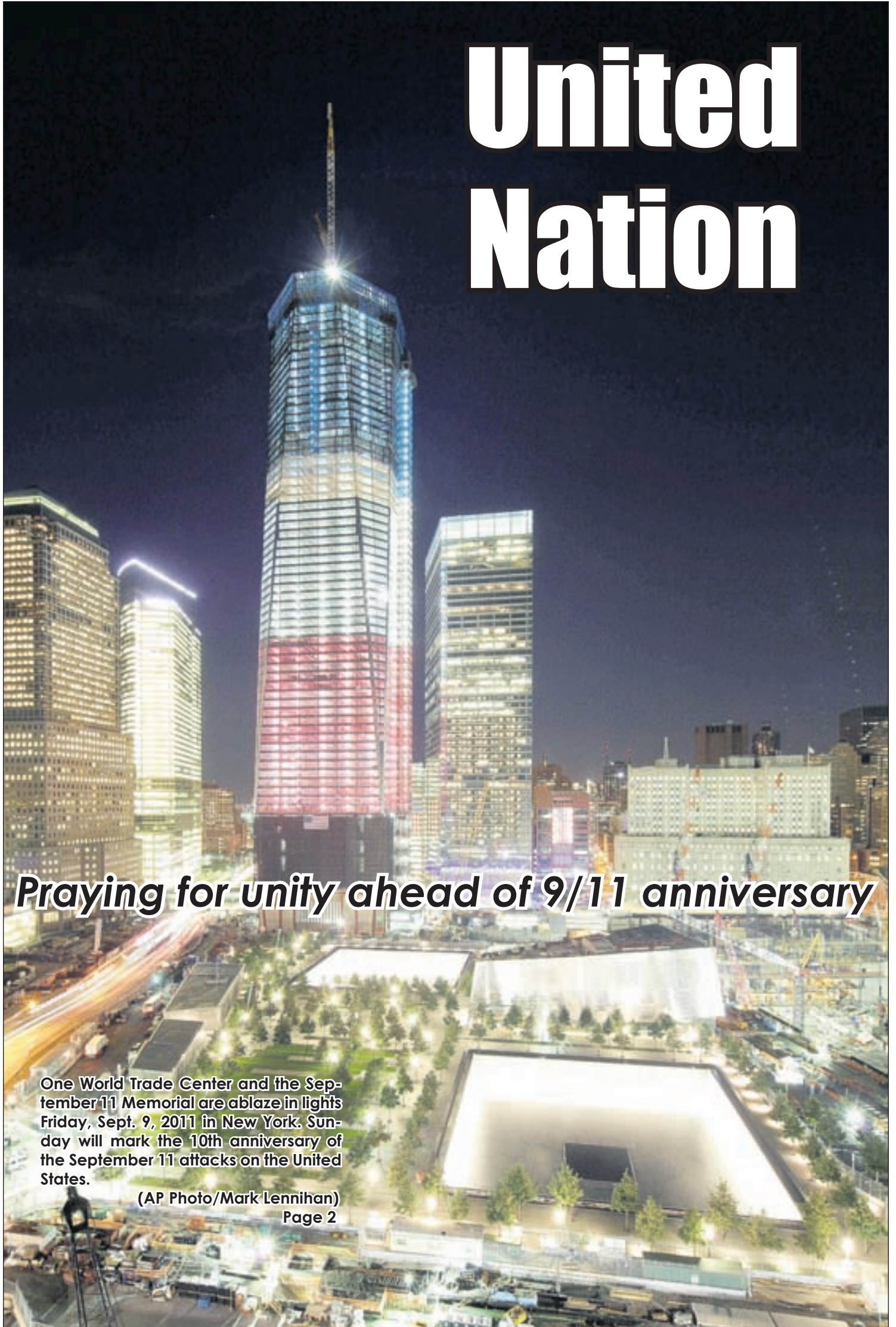
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Praying for unity ahead of 9/11 anniversary

One World Trade Center and the September 11 Memorial are ablaze in lights Friday, Sept. 9, 2011 in New York. Sunday will mark the 10th anniversary of the September 11 attacks on the United States.

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Security is heightened in response to rumors of a plot

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But the informer's information on the plot was second- or third-hand, another official said. It included only a vague physical description of the two men – one described as 5 feet tall, the other 5-foot-8 – and a first name for one, Suliman, that is common in the Middle East. The tipster also described a third conspirator, but he appeared to have traveled to Europe. "All this information is very, very sketchy," one of the law enforcement officials said. While the informer was not specific about targets, officials in both New York and Washington increased scrutiny of bridges and tunnels, long considered potential targets for vehicle bombs. The increased security came as Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton and Vice President Joe Biden publicly discussed the threat, trying to strike a balance between



A Port Authority police officer patrols the National September 11 Memorial & Museum at ground zero in New York, Sept. 9, 2011. New York increased subway searches and set up vehicle checkpoints on Friday as Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton said that al-Qaida was behind what officials had described as a possible car-bomb attack.

(Todd Heisler/The New York Times)

urging vigilance and preventing panic. "There are specifics – in that sense it was credible," Biden said on the ABC News program "Good Morning America,"

"but there's no certitude." The increased police presence forced drivers heading toward Manhattan on the Brooklyn Bridge to squeeze into a single lane

and through a gantlet of police officers, who walked around and between the cars, singling out some for a closer look. In Lower Manhattan, just a few blocks

from ground zero, police vehicles with flashing lights were positioned in front of the former American Stock Exchange building.

"It's good," said Wolfgang Klebe, who runs a shipping business in Lower Manhattan, as he watched the officers Friday morning. "They have to do this."

More bomb sweeps of parking garages were planned; ferries were to be given extra police coverage; and cars parked illegally were to be towed quickly, not just ticketed.

Officials briefed on the threat offered varying views of how serious it was, and some suggested that the strong reaction from federal and local agencies reflected heightened wariness around the anniversary. The two senior law enforcement officials, who were not authorized to speak publicly about the investigation, were in the skeptical camp. □

Praying for unity ahead of 9/11 anniversary

CRISTIAN SALAZAR

Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — Religious leaders have been calling on their congregations to reflect on forgiveness, co-existence with other faiths and unity as the U.S., while emphasizing the need to remember the 3,000 people who lost their lives when terrorists hijacked jetliners on Sept. 11, 2001.

At the St. Innocent Russian Orthodox Cathedral in Anchorage, Alaska, a special ceremony for Sept. 11 victims on Sunday will seek to illustrate how far-reaching the attacks were. In Denver, parishioners of Park Hill United Methodist Church will gather outside singing a hymn and link arms in a U-shape around the historic building in what one organizer called a "human link of love."

The mostly 30- and 40-something members of an evangelical Christian church that didn't even exist 10 years ago in Denver will be asked to reflect

about the role a crisis can play in changing people's lives and what factors can make that transformation either positive or negative. "9/11 united all of us as a nation. We believe as a church that we can be redeemed and that (each person's) story can be restored into something that's much better than it was before," said Nanci Ricks, associate pastor of Restoration Community Church. Across New York City, the 9/11 anniversary was being commemorated in mosques, churches and synagogues.

The Archdiocese of New York called on its clergy to focus on readings of forgiveness. The Rev Kevin Madigan, pastor of St. Peter Roman Catholic Church, just a block from the trade center site, said he would challenge the faithful to seriously consider the word. Although "nothing justified the attack," he said, one of the first steps to forgiveness is self-reflection. □

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Power is restored in San Diego area

IAN LOVETT

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LOS ANGELES – Electricity was restored Friday to all of the more than 1 million customers who lost power after a massive shutdown that left homes in the dark from Southern California east to Arizona and south into Mexico. San Diego Gas and Electric, which supplies power to much of the region, is investigating the precise cause of the blackout, but said Friday that the problem had started with a transmission failure in western Arizona that caused a loss of power in its service areas in San Diego and southern Orange County. In addition, the utility said a major power-generating station had gone offline.

In a statement on its website Friday, the company said it was focusing its "efforts over the next few days on maintaining and ensuring the integrity of the local power system," and would then "turn its attention toward determining the sequence of events that led to the outage and establishing practices and procedures to ensure that outages such as the Sept. 8 event are not repeated." The utility, which serves 3.5 million customers, asked residents to conserve energy Friday to prevent additional failures.

At the height of the failure Thursday, about 1.4 million of the company's customers were without power. □

Perry's streak forces Romney to regroup

RICHARD S. DUNHAM

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WASHINGTON – Rick Perry entered the Republican presidential race like a jack-rabbit out of the West Texas prairie. He quickly hopped past longtime leader Mitt Romney, who was deliberately, step by step, inching his way toward the nomination he felt was his to win. Now, Romney's strategists are hoping that the former Massachusetts governor plays the tortoise to Rick Perry's hare, slowly and steadily working to win the long race, and that Perry fades in the stretch. But presidential contests are not fairy tales, and it'll take a lot more than hope to make Romney live happily ever after. That's why the former Winter Olympics CEO and Bain Capital executive has adjusted his campaign's business plan to take into account the unexpectedly strong challenge from a candidate they had not expected to enter the race. With Perry leading Romney in the last nine national polls by margins ranging from 6 percentage points to 19, the former frontrunner has overhauled his above-the-fray campaign persona. Over the past week, and during Perry's first GOP presidential debate on Wednesday, Romney has begun to engage with his most serious challenger. Some of the contrasts are direct – Romney has chosen to make the future of Social Security a key issue in the primary by declaring his strong support for the retirement program while Perry calls it a "mon-



Texas Gov. Rick Perry, left, waves to members of the media upon his arrival to the Bakersfield Jam Events Center for a fundraiser breakfast for his presidential campaign, Friday, Sept. 9, 2011, in Bakersfield, Calif.

(AP Photo/Casey Christie)

strous lie" and a "Ponzi scheme."

Some are indirect – Romney says the nation needs a hard-headed businessman (him) rather than a career politician (Perry) to guide it through economic hard times. Some are tactical – Romney has intensified his efforts to court Tea Party Republicans in an attempt to compensate for Perry's early successes among establishment conservatives. Thomas Mann, a senior fellow at the liberal Brookings Institution, said Romney needs to "show some life and fight" when challenging Perry. "The whole point is to try to show himself as an adult at a very serious time," Mann said. "And with Perry being more reckless, being a cowboy, Romney's going to convey these times are too perilous to take a chance with that." For Romney to regain the lead, political analysts say, he needs to convince

Republican primary voters who desperately want to defeat Barack Obama that he, not Perry, offers the Grand Old Party its best chance to reclaim the White House. "What Romney has to do to beat back Perry is argue that Perry can't be elected in the general election," said Drake University political scientist Dennis Goldford. "Romney can argue that you need somebody who does more than make you feel good (with red-hot rhetoric), someone who won't take the Republican Party off a cliff." Only twice in the past half century has ideology trumped pragmatism in the GOP nomination process: Barry Goldwater in 1964 and Ronald Reagan in 1980. But some analysts think that this unsettled year of grassroots anger could prove to be yet another exception to the rule. "Historically, the Republican Party nominating pro-

cess has pragmatically placed a lot of emphasis on electability while selecting nominees," said John F. Leary, managing director of Dominion Strategies, a Virginia-based strategic communications firm. "The ascension of the Tea Party in the nominating process could turn this on its head." Romney's not taking any chances. He's doubled down on his economic message. And he's drawn some subtle contrasts with Perry. While the Texan talks about three broad economic principles (lower taxes, less spending and less regulation), Romney on Tuesday unveiled a 59-point economic program designed to recharge the nation's economic batteries. Texas A&M University political scientist George C. Edwards III says the detailed plan plays to Romney's strength as a candidate – and to one of Perry's weaknesses. □

Three ways to look back, none easy

ROBERTA SMITH

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NEW YORK — Many people assured us that we would never forget, and they were right. The attacks of Sept. 11 were the most extensively witnessed and recorded events in history, a spectacle, as the hijackers intended. The towers exploding against the crystalline blue sky, the white dust cascading, the panicked office workers — these are all seared in collective memory.

But in New York City right now it is possible to choose among several very different ways to remember. The exhibitions mounted to commemorate Sept. 11

and its fitful, excruciating aftermath vary tremendously in scope and effect. Three in particular — at the School of Visual Arts, the International Center of Photography and MoMA PS1 — form an unexpectedly illuminating progression. Taken together, these shows proceed from raw, inchoate data, to documentarylike orchestrations of evidence, to art. The sequence is surprisingly consoling, and no less so for the fact that its culmination — “September 11,” the elegiac, supple exhibition at PS1 — contains almost no art that pertains specifically to Sept. 11.

The shows both stir and



Some of the roughly 300 images in “Here Is New York: Revisited” at the School of Visual Arts Westside Gallery, in New York, Sept. 8, 2011.

(Paul Taggart/The New York Times)

soothe very different kinds of pain and awareness, calling forth an intense and confusing panoply of emotions while also reassuring us about human persistence and art’s sustaining power.

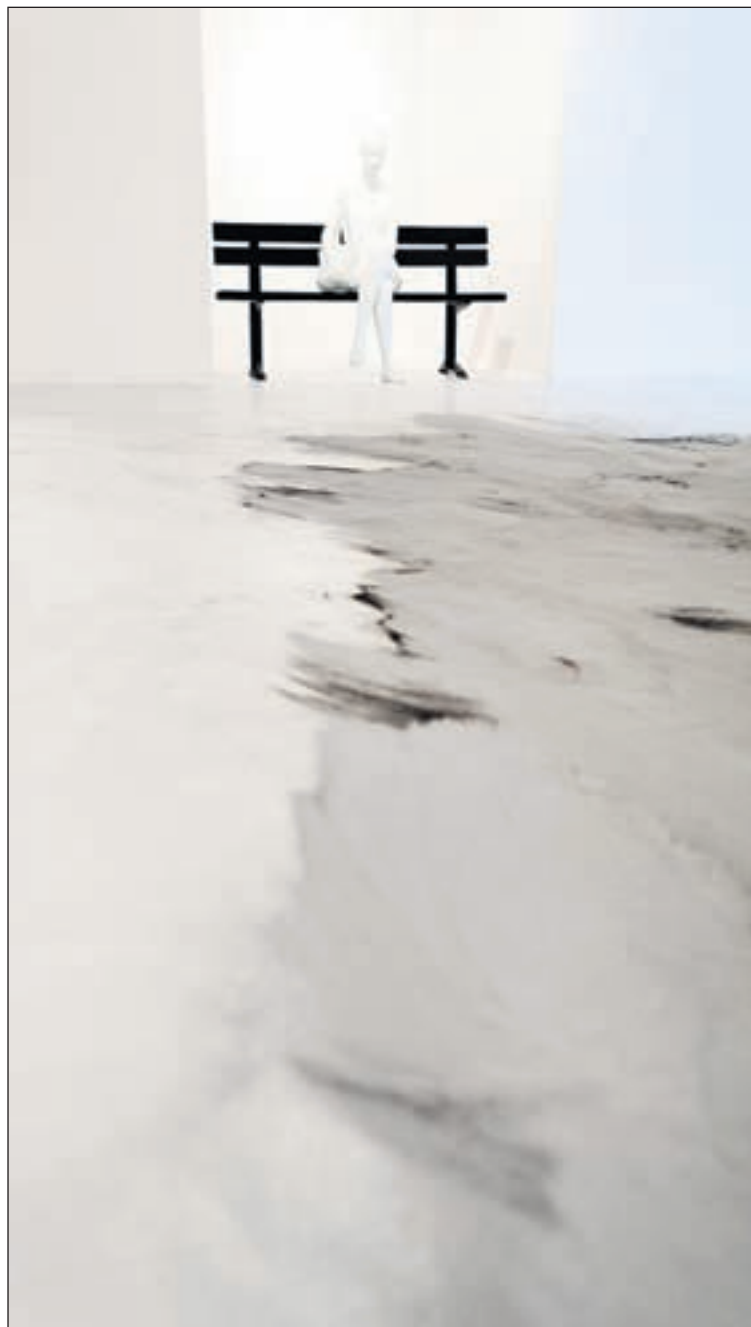
The most visceral experience of the day’s murderousness is provided by “Here Is New York: Revisited” at the School of Visual Arts’ Westside Gallery. It reprises the impromptu exhibition of images of the attack and its aftermath taken by both professional

and amateur photographers that sprang up in two small storefronts in the days after Sept. 11. That show was an early example of crowd sourcing; its original subtitle was “A Democracy of Photographs.”

About 300 of some 6,500 images ultimately submitted to this project are presented here, clipped, as they originally were, to wires strung along and sometimes between walls, a little like laundry hanging out to dry. Jumping around in time and space,

they form a kind of heart-wrenching Cubism. One picture shows the second plane hitting the south tower — just barely touching it, almost like a kiss. Others show people being rescued, holding one another, weeping, running for their lives.

We see the plaza at Union Square covered with comments in chalk, anticipating the immense shrines of candles, photographs and memorabilia (also pictured) that would accumulate. □



A sculpture by George Segal overlooks a scatter piece by Roger Hiorns made from an atomized jet engine in the “September 11,” exhibition at MoMA PS1 in New York, Sept. 8, 2011. Very different exhibitions at the School of Visual Art, the International Center of Photography and MoMA PS1 together form an unexpectedly illuminating progression.

(Paul Taggart/The New York Times)



Christo’s “Red Package” on the floor, and Barbara Kruger’s “Untitled (Questions)” hanging above it, as part of the “September 11” exhibition at MoMA PS1 in New York, Sept. 8, 2011.

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NY man denies helping terror group in fight plot

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Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — An Albanian man accused of seeking to travel to Pakistan so he could die as a martyr by fighting against U.S. forces pleaded not guilty Friday. Federal agents had arrested Agron Hasbajrami on Tuesday after he showed up at John F. Kennedy International Airport with a one-way ticket to Turkey. Hasbajrami, who lives in Brooklyn, was ordered held without bail Friday at his arraignment on a charge of providing material support

to terrorists.

Prosecutors and defense attorney Nancy Ennis told a federal magistrate in Brooklyn that they expected to resolve the case through plea negotiations. Ennis declined to comment afterward. The government alleges that since 2010, Hasbajrami — an Albanian citizen and legal U.S. resident — gave more than \$1,000 to an unidentified terrorist group fighting American soldiers in Afghanistan.

Hasbajrami, 27, sent a message to the group earlier this year saying that he



In this courtroom sketch, Agron Hasbajrami, center, is arraigned on a charge of providing material support to terrorists Friday, Sept. 9, 2011 in Brooklyn Federal Court in New York. The government alleges that since 2010, Hasbajrami, an Albanian citizen and legal U.S. resident, gave more than \$1,000 to an unidentified terrorist group fighting American soldiers in Afghanistan. Hasbajrami's defense attorney, Nancy Ennis, is seated at second left and an Albanian interpreter for the courts is at right, speaking to Mr Hasbajrami.

(AP Photo/Elizabeth Williams)

wanted to "marry with the girls in paradise" — a phrase authorities say means he wanted to die a martyr.

Initially, Hasbajrami was told he should travel to Pakistan, where he could locate the militant group through the Pakistani Taliban, prosecutors said. He obtained a visa and a plane ticket but ended up canceling the trip late last month.

On Sept. 3, a confidential source working with the FBI contacted Hasbajrami by email, telling him he could help him still get to Pakistan, prosecutors said.

Two days later, he bought a one-way plane ticket to Istanbul and told the source he was on his way, they said. □

Ex-Mormon pleads guilty to sex abuse

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Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A former Mormon bishop and co-founder of a nonprofit group that helps women and children in Third World villages faces sentencing in November for sexually abusing children.

Lon Harvey Kennard, 69, from Heber City, Utah, pleaded guilty this week to three counts of aggravated sexual abuse of a child. Each count involves a different victim, and carries a sentence of 5 years to life.

The victims were among six children the man and his wife adopted from Ethiopia, where the couple helped establish an orphanage.

The Associated Press isn't naming the man to protect the identity of the victims.

The couple's nonprofit organization provided services to destitute villages in Mexico, Central America, Africa and the Caribbean.

Kennard was initially charged with 43 counts stemming from abuse that began in 1995, around the time the defendant was bishop of his Latter-day Saints ward and one year after he and his wife started the nonprofit agency. The remaining charges were dismissed in exchange for his guilty plea.

In a statement, Kennard's family said they understood the choice to negotiate a plea agreement, but were disappointed because the victims had hoped to face him at trial. □

US judge rejects suit seeking info on drones

PETE YOST

Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — A federal judge dismissed a lawsuit Friday that had sought government information about the reported use of unmanned drones to kill suspected terrorists.

The CIA rejected a Freedom of Information Act request from the American Civil Liberties Union.

The spy agency refused to admit or deny that it had any relevant records and said that merely confirming the existence of material would reveal classified information.

U.S. District Judge Rosemary Collyer rejected the ACLU's argument that former CIA Director Leon Panetta had officially acknowledged the agency's use of drones. The news media for years

has detailed the use of drone aircraft in operations targeting suspected terrorists in Pakistan, Afghanistan and elsewhere. In arguing for disclosure, the ACLU cited Panetta's answer after a 2009 speech to a question from an audience member who said the president's strategy in Pakistan was "drone strikes." Without using the two words himself, Panetta responded: "I think it does suffice to say that these operations have been very effective because they have been very precise." Contrary to the ACLU's argument, the judge ruled, "these comments by Director Panetta did not officially disclose the CIA's involvement in the drone strike program. Director Panetta spoke generally of his knowledge

of 'covert and secret operations' in Pakistan and his assessment that those operations had been precise with minimal collateral damage." The ACLU also cited a Washington Post story in 2010, based on an interview with Panetta, which said that relentless attacks against al-Qaida in the Pakistan tribal region appeared to have driven Osama bin Laden and other top leaders deeper into hiding.

The newspaper story, said the judge, "appeared to speak to the joint efforts of the military and nonmilitary agencies of the U.S. government ... Director Panetta merely admitted that the CIA's operations in Pakistan, left undefined, were the most aggressive ever undertaken by the CIA." □

Man pleads guilty in killings at Long Island pharmacy

TIM STELLOH

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RIVERHEAD, N.Y. — The man accused in the shooting deaths of four people in a pharmacy in Medford, N.Y., pleaded guilty Thursday to five counts of first-degree murder and faces the likelihood of spending the rest of his life in prison.

David S. Laffer, 33, admitted to what prosecutors described as one of the most horrific crimes in the history of Suffolk County: the murders of a pharmacist and a clerk who was still in high school, and then the ambush shootings of two customers before fleeing with thousands of pain pills.

The crime, on June 19 at Haven Drugs on the county's South Shore, appeared to have been a severe example of a national epidemic involving drugstore robberies by prescription drug addicts.

Those killed were Raymond A. Ferguson Jr., 45, the pharmacist; Jennifer Mejia,



Daniel Taccetta, center, who was among the victims' relatives in court on Thursday when David Laffer pleaded guilty to murder, in Riverhead, N.Y., Sept. 8, 2011. Laffer, the man accused in the shooting deaths of four people in a pharmacy in Medford, N.Y., pleaded guilty on Thursday to five counts of first-degree murder and faces the likelihood of spending the rest of his life in prison.

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17, the high school student, who worked part time at the store; and Jaime Taccetta, 33, and Bryon Sheffield, 71, both customers.

In a courtroom crammed with more than 30 relatives of the victims, Laffer, who appeared gaunt and pale and wore a green jumpsuit, calmly answered each of

the prosecutor's questions about that day. Asked, for instance, if he shot Taccetta in the back of the head, he said, "Yes, sir."

After killing Taccetta, the prosecutor, John Collins, asked Laffer, did he go back to steal more drugs? He again replied, "Yes, sir." As prosecutors recounted the grisly details, some relatives, who were seated in the first three rows of the courtroom, clutched one another's hands and wiped away tears. □

Court to look at state's affirmative action ban

ED WHITE

Associated Press

DETROIT (AP) — A federal appeals court on Friday overturned the work of one of its three-judge panels and said it would decide the legality of Michigan's ban on affirmative action in college admissions and government hiring.

The decision by the 6th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals erases a July 1 ruling that found the ban to be unconstitutional. It means more than a dozen judges on the court likely will hear the case again, a rare occurrence.

Michigan voters in 2006 passed a law banning the consideration of race in college admissions and government hiring. The law forced the University of Michigan and other public schools to change admission policies.

In striking down the law in July, the three-judge panel said the law treats minorities unfairly and violates the equal protection clause of the 14th Amendment.

Michigan Attorney General Bill Schuette said the decision was "nutty" and had urged the full court to reopen the case.

"The court made the right

decision and we look forward to making the case for equality, fairness and the rule of law," Schuette said in a statement. "It is absurd to say a ban on racial discrimination, which Proposal 2 enshrined in our constitution, somehow perpetuates racial discrimination. It simply defies common sense."

Mark Rosenbaum, a lawyer who had argued against the ban for the American Civil Liberties Union, said he welcomes a chance to do it again.

Arguments likely will be heard in 2012.

"Proposal 2 is an old-fashioned racial gerrymander that locks out Michigan citizens of color from the political process," said Rosenbaum, who teaches at University of Michigan law school.

The Ohio-based appeals court has judges from four states. Fifteen were eligible to vote on whether to reopen the case, although judges David McKeague and Raymond Kethledge recused themselves without a public explanation.

The court didn't release a vote, saying only that a majority agreed to a new hearing. □

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More complications for death and estate taxes

PAUL SULLIVAN

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From a tax perspective, dying in 2010 seemed a simple proposition for the wealthiest people in America: Their assets would pass to their heirs free of federal estate tax because the tax had lapsed.

But for some of these estates, the tax issue has turned out to be incredibly complex.

The reason is the terms of the agreement reached in December by President Barack Obama and congressional Republicans. The two sides agreed that the estate tax for 2011 and 2012 would exempt the first \$5 million in assets per person and that any assets above that would be subject to a 35 percent tax rate. (Had they not reached that agreement, the exemption this year was set to be \$1 million and a 55 percent tax rate.)

But instead of trying to impose the tax retroactively on the assets of people who died in 2010, the agreement allowed executors to make a choice: They could file an estate tax return under the new law or they could opt out. But in opting out, the people who received the assets would have to pay a different set of taxes when they sold those assets.

And the deadline for making that choice is coming up soon — Nov. 15.

(For most estates from 2010, the decision will be easy. Andrew Katzenstein, a partner at the law firm Proskauer in Los Angeles, said he calculated that any estate worth up to \$6.25 million should file under the current estate tax regime.)

Here's why the decision is complicated for other es-

tates. If the heirs opt out of the estate tax, the assets in the estate will not get valued at what they were at the date of death but at their original value. The beneficiaries are eligible for a tax credit against the appreciated value of the assets: \$3 million for the spouse and another \$1.3 million for any other heir. The problem is how the executor will determine who benefits from that \$1.3 million credit.

"I have seen spiteful circumstances," said Mitchell Gaswirth, a tax partner at Proskauer. "While there's this amazing opportunity to avoid the wealth transfer taxes of people who died in 2010, there is tremendous family complexity and tremendous downside to this boondoggle." And that doesn't even count the second problem. With only 10 weeks left to decide what to do, the one tax form needed to opt out of the estate



Andrew Katzenstein, left, a partner at the law firm Proskauer, and Mitchell Gaswirth, a tax partner at Proskauer, in Los Angeles, Sept. 8, 2011. The terms of agreement on the estate tax for 2011 and 2012 reached by President Barack Obama and Congressional Republicans last December has turned out to be incredibly complex.

(J. Emilio Flores/The New York Times)

tax, No. 8939, has not been issued yet by the IRS. Still, however frustrating the delay in the IRS form may be, there may be good reason to wait before just going ahead and filing an estate tax return. Joanne Johnson, the U.S. head of

wealth advisory at JP Morgan Private Bank, said the firm was handling a \$15 million estate that, through its calculations, will pass to the couple's children not only free of estate tax but also free of any other feder-

al taxes. Had the surviving spouse died in 2011, and not 2010, the estate would have had to pay tax at least \$3.5 million in estate taxes.

"That's a great result for the beneficiaries," Johnson said. "This is a win-win for everyone but the IRS."

With that in mind, here is a look at how this issue is having a direct impact on the U.S. Treasury and a certain group of tax filers.

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With the deadline approaching, the IRS is being tight-lipped on when a final form 8939 will be released. On Aug. 8, the American Institute of Certified Professional Accountants wrote to the IRS commissioner demanding both clarity on the issue and an extension of the filing deadline. But their letter yielded little. The IRS released a draft of form 8939 in March, with a disclaimer that it could change. □

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Former rebels attack Gadhafi loyalists in 2 cities

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TRIPOLI, Libya — Former Lib-

yan rebels began attacking the loyalist holdouts of Bani Walid and Sirte on Friday night, a day before their own deadline for the surrender of those cities took effect. "It's full-steam ahead right now," said Abdulrahman Busin, a spokesman for the military.

The former rebels reportedly were inside Bani Walid but fighting continued, Busin said. The attack on Sirte, a city on the Mediterranean coast, had just begun and the former rebels were still on the outskirts.

Busin said the Bani Walid attack took place early because loyalist forces inside the small city had opened fire on former-rebel positions outside. As for the attack on Sirte, he said, "They may have pushed forward a few hours early simply because it was a strategic advantage."

Bani Walid, a city about 100 miles southeast of Tripoli, and Sirte, which lies on the main coastal highway 200 miles east of the capital, are two of only four communities still under the control of forces loyal to Moammar Gadhafi.

Bani Walid is important because it is the home of the country's largest tribe, the Warfallah, which had previously been a big supporter of Gadhafi's, and because it is believed that some of his former officials may

have taken refuge there.

Sirte, an oil port, is strategically important because loyalist forces holding it have effectively been able to cut the country in two between east and west.

The fighting came after In-

tel of the former leader's intelligence agency.

There was no suggestion that Gadhafi or the two other wanted men were known to be among those who arrived in the latest convoy to Niger. The coun-

of Libya's top officials have been uncertain since rebels took the capital, Tripoli, last month. Since then, Gadhafi and his son have taunted the transitional government in audio messages and urged their loyalists to con-

has received a number of convoys of loyalist officials fleeing overland. So far, no high-ranking figures in the former government have been confirmed to be accompanying them.

On Friday, 14 Gadhafi loyalist officials arrived in the northern Niger city of Agadez, including Gen. Ali Kana, who is said to be a Tuareg tribesman in charge of Gadhafi's southern troops, according to a Reuters report. Tuareg tribesmen, who live on both sides of the Libya-Niger border in the Sahara, have been major supporters of the Gadhafi government.

The group also included Gen. Ali Sharif al-Rifi, commander of the Libyan air force, and two other top officials, who were said to be staying at the Etoile du Tenere hotel in Agadez, according to the news agency. The hotel is said to be owned by Gadhafi.

Niger's justice minister, Marou Amadou, confirmed that the two generals were in Agadez and were "being well guarded" but were not "in a building belonging to the state."

Gadhafi "is a fugitive whose country of nationality and the International Criminal Court want arrested and held accountable for the serious criminal charges that have been brought against him," Interpol's secretary-general, Ronald K. Noble, said in a written statement. □



Rebel fighters search an indoor swimming pool at a housing complex used by the Gadhafi family near the town of Bani Walid in Libya. Amid another confusing round of claims and counter-claims by the Libyan rebels on the whereabouts of Col. Moammar Gadhafi, an audio recording said to be from the ousted Libyan leader surfaced on Thursday dismissing reports that he had fled and vowing to continue to fight.

(Bryan Denton/The New York Times)

terpol issued arrest warrants for Gadhafi and two others Friday, and after reports came from Niger of a new convoy of high-ranking Libyan officials arriving across the desert.

In Lyon, France, Interpol said in a statement that it had issued so-called red notices calling for the arrests of Gadhafi, his son Seif al-Islam Gadhafi and Abdullah al-Senussi, chief

try has been under intense international pressure to turn over any former officials of the Gadhafi government who arrive there.

On Friday, an official in Niger said that the government would respect the Interpol notices and hand over the fugitives should they cross the border, Reuters reported.

Despite an international manhunt, the whereabouts

tinue fighting.

The Interpol notices, which were requested by the International Criminal Court at The Hague based on allegations of war crimes committed by the three men, require any of Interpol's 188 member nations to arrest the suspects and turn them over to the court. Among the member nations is Niger, which borders Libya on the south and

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Magnitude-6.4 quake strikes off of Vancouver

VANCOUVER, British Columbia (AP) — A magnitude-6.4 earthquake struck Friday off the coast of British Columbia, the U.S. Geological Survey said. The quake struck 12:41 p.m. PDT (1941 GMT) at a depth of 14.3 miles (23 kilometers) about 173 miles (279 kilometers) west of Vancouver, the USGS said. The quake was initially reported to have a magnitude of 6.7 but was later downgraded by the USGS. The quake's epicenter just off the west coast of Vancouver Island, south of Port Hardy. Stephen Halchuck, a seismologist with Natural Resources Canada, said the quake lasted for 20-30 seconds and rattled buildings across Vancouver Island and the southwest portion of British Columbia. He said there has been no immediate reports of damage in the region. According to the West Coast and Alaska Tsunami Warning Center no tsunami was expected. "This event was not the type to generate a tsunami. It's size was not large enough and the mechanism of the earthquake would not have generated a significant tsunami," said Halchuck. However, the West Coast and Alaska Tsunami Warning Center advised that underwater landslides may cause "local tsunamis" at some coastal locations that experienced

strong tremors. Many in the small coastal community of Zeballos, is at sea level, felt the earth move under them. "I was walking out of the office and started to feel the building shake, then the rumble of the earth move. And when that rumbling that comes up through your feet, you know right away, 'oh, we're having one of those,'" Holli Bellavie, the municipal administrator for Zeballos said in a telephone interview. Bellavie said she waited for the aftershocks to ripple through but didn't feel any. Halchuck said he anticipates a number of aftershocks to hit British Columbia in the coming days but said they will likely be too small in scale to be felt. "Each earthquake is unique and has its own aftershock sequence. Some have many thousands of aftershocks and some have only a few or none at all. In this case, we would expect to see some aftershocks, much smaller in size and they would decrease over time, some of which would be too small to be felt by people on land." Bellavie said the power in her building went out for a couple of minutes but there was no damage or injuries aside from co-workers who said dishes fell from cupboards and picture frames tumbled off shelves. □

Lawyer: Norway killer sticks to Templar claim

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Associated Press

OSLO, Norway (AP) — Confessed Norwegian mass killer Anders Behring Breivik is sticking to his claim of belonging to a militant order of Knights Templar, even though police have found no evidence it exists, his lawyer said.

The 32-year-old, arrested after a car bombing and shooting massacre that killed 77 people on July 22, claims he was the youngest member of the anti-Muslim militia at its supposed creation in London in 2002, defense lawyer Geir Lippestad told The Associated Press in an interview Friday. Breivik has told police that many of the other members are war-hardened former fighters from Serbia, the lawyer said.

"Both the police and I are using a lot of resources" to investigate those claims, he said. Police say they believe



Police carry out investigations at the farm north of Oslo, which was rented by Anders Behring Breivik and where he is thought to have constructed the bomb which killed eight people in central Oslo. Confessed Norwegian mass killer Anders Behring Breivik is sticking to his claim of belonging to a militant order of Knights Templar, even though police have found no evidence it exists, his lawyer said.

(AP Photo/Tore Meek, Scanpix Norway)

Breivik acted alone when he set off the car bomb that killed eight people in Oslo's government district and then opened fire at a Labor Party youth camp on Utoya island, killing 69. However, his claim of a

mysterious crusader network puzzles investigators because Breivik appears to have been truthful when explaining other aspects of the attacks. Breivik has said he carried out the attacks alone. □

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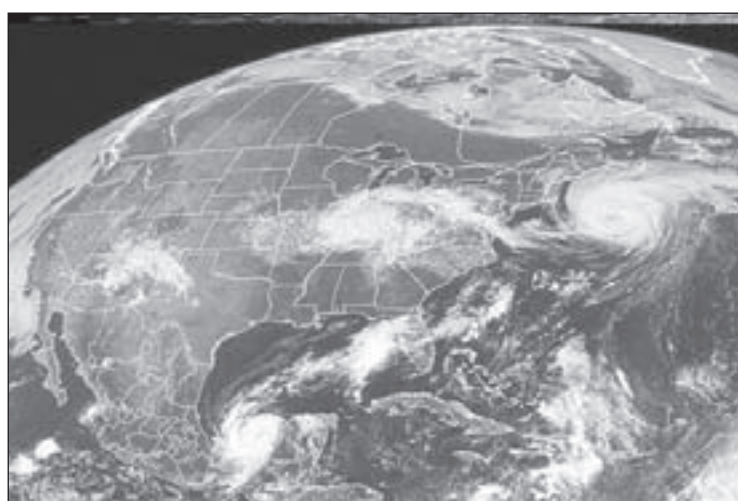
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Tropical Storm Maria threatens East Caribbean

DANICA COTO
Associated Press

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico (AP) — Tropical Storm Maria swirled toward the eastern Caribbean on Friday, threatening to unleash heavy rain and wind on islands still struggling to recover from a recent hurricane. The storm had maximum sustained winds of 45 mph (75 kph) Friday afternoon, with some slight strengthening possible, said the U.S. National Hurricane Center in Miami. It was centered about 215 miles (345 kilometers) east-southeast of the French Caribbean is-

land of Guadeloupe and moving northwest at about 16 mph (26 kph). Tropical force winds will start lashing the U.S. Virgin Islands on Saturday morning, where the storm is expected to dump up to 6 inches (15 centimeters) of rain, said Walter Snell with the National Weather Service office in Puerto Rico. "Residents should be prepared for whatever the worst this storm can do," he said. Maria is forecast to become a Category 1 hurricane late Monday and possibly a Category 2 hurricane by Tuesday, when it is expect-



This NOAA satellite image taken Friday, September 9, 2011 at 1:45 PM EDT shows Hurricane Katia located about 385 miles south-southwest of Halifax, Nova Scotia. The system remains at Category 1 strength with maximum winds at 85 mph and will continue moving northeastward and further away from the East Coast of the U.S. To the south, Tropical Storm Maria is about 135 miles northeast of Barbados with maximum sustained winds at 45 mph. Tropical storm warnings are in effect for most of the eastern Caribbean Islands from the Lesser Antilles to the Bahamas. In the Gulf of Mexico, Tropical Storm Nate is located about 150 miles west of Campeche, Mexico with maximum winds at 50 mph. Meanwhile, the remnants of Tropical Storm Lee produce a few more showers over the Ohio River Valley.

(AP Photo/Weather Underground)

ed to pass just east of the Bahamas as it continues on a northward path, the hurricane center said. Flight cancellations were reported across the Caribbean region Friday. The U.S. Virgin Islands government said it would close its airport Saturday and has advised an estimated 3,000 tourists currently in the territory to stay indoors. In Puerto Rico, the government urged tourists to leave the islands of Vieques and Culebra, warning that the last ferry bound for the main island would depart early Friday night. State Secretary Kenneth McClintock said all 9-11 remembrance acts planned for Sunday have been canceled as a result of the storm, including a Mass and a pilgrimage to the governor's mansion. □

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Argentine judge flees trial, now seeks asylum in Chile

FEDERICO QUILODRAN
Associated Press

SANTIAGO, Chile (AP) — A judge who fled Argentina to avoid trial on charges of crimes against humanity applied for political asylum in Chile on Friday, threatening to become a thorn in relations between the South American neighbors. Chilean officials took no immediate action on the request by Judge Otilio Romano and declined to comment on his case. Romano is accused of committing 103 human rights crimes while working as a prosecutor during Argentina's 1976-83 military dictatorship. He slipped across the border last month just before losing his judicial immunity. His whereabouts in

Chile are unknown. Leftists in Chile demanded that Romano be expelled so he can be tried in Argentina, but Chilean law says he cannot be extradited while his asylum bid is being considered. "It seems very serious to me that this (Chilean) government is considering an appeal from this criminal of crimes against humanity," said Communist Party deputy Hugo Gutierrez, a veteran human rights activist. Right-wing lawmakers, meanwhile, saw the case as an opportunity to pressure Argentina to revoke the asylum it granted Chilean Galvarino Apablaza. The former leftist guerrilla leader is charged with ordering the 1991 killing of Jai-

me Guzman, leader of the conservative Chilean party Independent Democratic Union. Sen. Victor Perez, secretary-general of the party, which forms part of Chile's governing coalition, said any request for the judge's extradition should be linked to a new effort to persuade Argentina to revoke asylum for Apablaza. "The Argentine government has protected him," Perez said. "There's nothing else to do but tell them to do what they have to do with Apablaza, and Apablaza will be transferred to Chilean territory and tried in Chile." Romano's trial was scheduled to begin early next year. □

Egyptians break into Israel Embassy in Cairo

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Associated Press

CAIRO (AP) — A group of about 30 protesters broke into the Israeli Embassy in Cairo Friday and dumped hundreds of documents out of the windows after a day of demonstrations outside the building in which crowds swinging sledge hammers and using their bare hands tore apart the embassy's security wall. Israel's ambassador, Yitzhak Levanon, his family and other embassy staff were waiting at Cairo's airport for a military plane to evacuate them, said airport officials who spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to speak to the media. Hundreds of protesters converged on the embassy throughout the afternoon and into the night, tearing down large sections of the graffiti-covered security wall outside the 21-story



Egyptians work to demolish a concrete wall built around a building housing the Israeli embassy in Cairo, Egypt, to protect it against demonstrators Friday, Sept. 9, 2011.

(AP Photo/Khalil Hamra)

building housing the embassy. Egyptian security forces made no attempt for hours to intervene. Just before midnight, a group of protesters reached a room on one of the embassy's lower floors at the top of the building and began dumping Hebrew-language documents from the windows, said an Egyptian security official

who spoke on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to speak to the media. In Jerusalem, an Israeli official confirmed the embassy had been broken into, saying it appeared the group reached a waiting room on the lower floor. He spoke on condition of anonymity because he was not permitted to release the information.

No one answered the phone at the embassy late Friday.

Since the fall of Hosni Mubarak in February, calls have grown in Egypt for ending the historic 1979 peace treaty with Israel, a pact that has never had the support of ordinary Egyptians. Anger increased last month after Israeli forces responding to a cross-border militant attack mistakenly killed five Egyptian police officers near the border.

Several large protests have taken place outside the embassy in recent months without serious incident. Friday's demonstration, however, quickly escalated with crowds pummeling the security wall with sledge hammers and tearing away large sections of the cement and metal barrier, which was recently put up to better protect the site from protests.

For the second time in less

than a month, protesters were able to get to the top of the building and pull down the Israeli flag.

Crowds outside the building photographed documents that drifted to the ground and posted some of them online.

Protesters clashed with police and set fire to a police truck outside the embassy. Crowds also tried to attack a nearby police station but were turned back by security forces firing tear gas and warning shots. State radio reported that one person died of a heart attack and that 163 people were injured.

Senior Israeli officials were holding discussions on the embassy breach.

Israeli Defense Minister Ehud Barak said in a statement that he also spoke with his American counterpart, Leon Panetta, and appealed to him to do what he could to protect the embassy. □





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Rwanda opposition leader accused on terror charges

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Associated Press

NAIROBI, Kenya (AP) —

Prosecutors have accused a top Rwandan opposition figure of trying to recruit fighters to destabilize Rwanda during a trial that some see as a litmus test for political expression in a nation still struggling to come to terms with the 1994 genocide. Victoire Ingabire appeared in court Friday in a prisoner's uniform, handcuffs and with a shaved head. She is accused of genocide ideology, revisionism and backing terrorist groups. She has not yet entered a plea, but her four co-accused — former members of a brutal rebel



Rwandan opposition leader Victoire Ingabire , left, listens to her British defence counsel Iain Edwards, during her trial in Kigali, Rwanda Monday, Sept. 5 2011. Ingabire, an outspoken critic of President Paul Kagame's regime, is charged with allegations of providing financial support to a terrorist group, causing state security and fomenting ethnic divisions.

(AP Photo/Shant Fabricatorian)

group based in the Congo — have plead guilty.

Ingabire faces up to 30 years in prison. Ingabire, who lived in the Netherlands for many years, returned to Rwanda in January 2010. Shortly after her return, she questioned why no Hutus were commemorated in a national monument to the genocide and promised to help Hutu prisoners. It is illegal to question the official history of the genocide — something Ingabire, a Hutu, says should be allowed by a democratic government. She was arrested several times following speeches, and banned from running in August presidential elections last year. She was eventually jailed in October 2010. The case against Ingabire and her four co-accused has highlighted Rwanda's struggle to move beyond the 1994 genocide, when extremist Hutus killed more than 500,000 Tutsis and moderate Hutus in Rwanda. □

Oil workers still missing off stormy Mexico coast

ANTONIO VILLEGAS

Associated Press

VILLAHERMOSA, Mexico (AP) — Mexico's state oil company and a Texas-based company searched for 10 missing oil workers Friday including four Americans, who evacuated from a research vessel in the Gulf of Mexico ahead of Tropical Storm Nate.

Petroleos Mexicanos said it had two ships searching in the area where the workers, employed by Houston-based Geokinetics Inc., called for help Thursday afternoon after leaving a vessel known as a liftboat, the Trinity II, on an enclosed life raft. "We're deeply concerned about the incident in the Gulf of Mexico involving our employees and others who had to abandon a disabled liftboat due to conditions brought about by Tropical Storm Nate," Geokinetics spokeswoman Brenda Taquino said. "The safety and rescue of the employees, everyone on the life raft, is a top priority." Taquino said the company learned Thursday morning that the 94-foot, 185-ton Trinity II, contracted from Louisiana-based Trinity Liftboat Services LLC, was disabled in the Bay of Campeche because of storm conditions. A liftboat can lower legs to the sea floor and then elevate itself above the water level. This one was being used as a recording vessel and housing for the crew, and it was in waters about 25 feet (8 meters) deep. On board were four crew members who operate the liftboat as well as three contractors and three employees of Geokinetics, which specializes in seismic studies for the oil and gas industry. They were made up of four Americans, four Mexicans, one from Kazakhstan and a 10th worker of unconfirmed nationality, said an official at the port of Dos Bocas, who spoke on condition of anonymity because he wasn't authorized to talk to journalists.

He said Pemex and Mexican navy rescue crews were also working along the beaches in nearby Frontera, the closest port to where the men evacuated the liftboat, because high winds and unrelenting rain made it too difficult to venture out to sea.

Randy Reed, president of Trinity Liftboat in New Iberia, Louisiana, was unavailable for comment Friday, a person answering the phone at his office told The Associated Press. But Reed told the Advertiser newspaper in Louisiana that the rescue effort involved boats, helicopters and aircraft conducting a grid search of the area where they went missing off the coast of Mexico.

"We're optimistic. They're good seamen. They're professionals at what they do," Reed said. "The life raft is out there, we just haven't found it yet ... We're all working diligently to locate the raft so we can locate our loved ones."

The Trinity II captain reported they were abandoning the vessel about midday Thursday, and a ship several miles (kilometers) away also reported seeing the crew enter the life raft.

But there has been no communication since. Pemex said its boats initially had difficulty reaching the area about 8 miles (13 kilometers) off shore of the southeastern Mexican state of Tabasco because of high winds and waves. □



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A.A.A. N.V. looks back on 9-11 attacks

ORANJESTAD- Coming Sunday, September 11, 2011, Aruba Airport Authority N.V. will be commemorating, together with its industry partners, the 10th anniversary of the terrorist attacks in the USA. The tragic events on 9-11 have brought about major changes in the Aviation Security and have led to significant procedural changes in travel worldwide. Mr. Peter Steinmetz, CEO of Aruba Airport Authority N.V. explains that Aruba Airport, having the capability to provide US Customs and Border Protection Preclearance at its facility, has invested heavily in Security, especially in personnel, training and equipment in the past decade. Procedures for screening of passengers and luggage have been evolving steadily and the Airport is now evaluating the purchase of Advanced Technology Equipment for screening of Passengers and their luggage. Mr. Steinmetz foresees that Aruba Airport will remain a front-runner in the region when it comes to customer satisfaction in regards to its Security processes. A recent Customer Satisfaction Survey amongst our Airport passengers has shown that feeling safe and secure is considered the most important process for surveyed passengers. The survey results for our Airport for this process was "Excellent", and Mr. Steinmetz remarks that this result "does entail that the customer has high expectations as to their safety and security and we have to continuously improve our people, systems and methods to keep meeting these high expectations." □

Soja live in concert tonight

SANTA CRUZ – This weekend, the popular Reggae band Soja will be live in Concert at the Piedra Plat Entertainment Center. Black Sheep Apparel Aruba has the tickets to the unique evening tonight on Saturday, September 10th. The press was able to meet the group yesterday at the Hard Rock Café.

Jacob Hemphill (lead vocals & guitar) met Bobby Lee (bass) in the first grade in Virginia, shortly after Jacob returned from living in Africa with his family. The two instantly became best friends, and in middle school found a common love for hip hop, rock and reggae music.

Throughout middle and high school, they met Ryan Berty (drums), Patrick O'Shea (keyboards) and Kenneth Brownell (percussion). Together they formed SOJA. In the formative years the band gigged locally in the DC area while a couple of the guys finished school. All the while making plans to hit the road after graduation...

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and stage show to nearly every city in North America, as well as many cities throughout Europe, South America, the Pacific Islands and the Caribbean. While touring in Puerto Rico the band linked up with sax player Hellman Escorcía & trumpet player Rafael Rodríguez. These two exceptional musicians earned

their position as SOJA's mainstay horn section by helping further develop the band's eclectic sound.

With no signs of slowing down - SOJA is planning a world tour for 2011/2012 in support of their upcoming album release. It's all about the message in the music for this band. "People think we write music about the earth

for the earth's sake, but it's not really like that. If we harm the earth, it will reject us. For all we know, it's happened one hundred times before. This place gets too hot, that's it. Reset button. That's why I sing what I sing - to pull us all in the same direction, the same future. Without that, we're finished (Jacob Hemphill)." □

Netherlands Sees Opportunities for Caribbean Territories

DUTCH CARIBE - The Dutch government, in a policy memorandum tabled before the House of Representatives, has announced that it is seeking to begin a new age of participation in the Caribbean region, following constitutional reforms in 2010, with new economic opportunities now presenting themselves for all parts of the Kingdom of

the Netherlands, the government said. As a result of the constitutional reforms of October 2010, the Kingdom of the Netherlands is now made up of four countries: the Netherlands, Aruba, Curaçao and St Maarten. The islands of Bonaire, St Eustatius and Saba are now public bodies of the Netherlands. These developments mean that part of

the Netherlands is now in the Caribbean.

The government said that the Caribbean countries - known among other things for their international financial centres - can provide a springboard for business in the wider region, which includes such growing economies as those of Brazil, Mexico, Panama and Colombia.

"As a minister of the Kingdom, I can open doors for all our four countries," said Uri Rosenthal, Minister of Foreign Affairs.

"Through synergy between the Netherlands, Aruba, Curaçao and St Maarten we can set our sights on business and trade with Central and Latin America, and strengthen the Kingdom as a whole." □

Mise en Place puts Arturo Ramos in the spotlights

ORANJESTAD

- Arturo Ramos has been selected as Employee of the Month by Mise en Place, the umbrella organization where terrific restaurants such as Taste of Belgium, Papillon and CILLO find their home. Arturo comes from the Philippines, in particular

from Pangasinan, but he chose to leave for Aruba in search of a better future for himself and his family members back home. He started at Madame Janette and the Occidental Resort, but came to the Taste of Belgium Bistro a few years back. Asked what his favorite entree is at the Bistro, Arturo does not hesitate one second: "the Flemish Beef Stew". Management, staff and co-workers at Mise en Place wish to extend a heartfelt "pabien" to Arturo Ramos, Employee of the Month. He deserves the honor, as he is a very dedicated and helpful employee.

In the picture (from left to right): Menno Conijn (Manager), Arturo Ramos (employee of the month) and Sandro Herald (Chef). □



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To commemorate the opening the restaurant is hosting a celebration featuring special price on: *Cappuccino, Latte, Espresso, Latte Swirl (Mocha or Caramel) and Flatbread Sandwich (Three Grilled Cheese, Ham & Cheese, Turkey-Bacon-Cheese;

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PALM BEACH – On Friday September 9, Miami's popular duo Nick and Nina from Y100 Yo! Show broadcasted their radio show from the Aruba Marriott Resort. From beachfront Waves Bar on Palm Beach the crew raved about Aruba and the Aruba Marriott as a perfect vacation destination. In an interview with Marriott's Hotel Manager Louella, they discussed the upcoming adult pool to open November 1st as an addition to the current free form resort pool. In between the radiobroadcast, the team spent some free time on a catamaran snorkeling sail provided by Red Sail Sports. Enjoying the gorgeous beaches, pool, cocktails and fine dining at the resort, Nina considered her stay to be "dushi". □



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Members meet at Tandoor Restaurant in Palm Beach

Indian Association of Aruba general assembly

ORANJESTAD - Recently Indian Association of Aruba had a general meeting of its members during lunch at Tandoor Restaurant in Palm Beach.

The general meeting attended some serious business by adopting its new by-laws to make them more relevant to the wishes of the members of the Association and to allow it

a much stronger 'Business Focus'. The Association also discussed how to expedite the pending construction of an Indian Center in Aruba so that it can share various aspects of Indian culture like Yoga and Vegetarian Food with the entire Aruban community. After dealing with the Activities Calendar for the rest of the year,



the Association took to recognizing its past board of two years which consisted of Gopal Sawilani as President, Naresh Kanai as Vice President, Nash Melwani as Secretary, Raj Daswani as Treasurer and Jagdish Daryanani & Rajesh Matai as directors. Sumptuous Buffet lunch at Tandoor was the perfect backdrop for carrying out a heavy agenda on a Sunday afternoon. The lunch was followed by a Labor Law presentation by Brown lawfirm.

Indian Association of Aruba has over 30 members in varied businesses like Clothing, General Merchandise, Restaurant, Souvenir, Decoration, Electronics, Insurance and Jewelry. Many of these businesses are also members of ATIA and AHATA. The accompanying pictures show the proceedings of the general assembly of the IAA. Prakash Gupta, President of the Association informs that IAA can be reached by anyone at its email iaaaruba@gmail.com. □



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Stewart, Earnhardt Head to final qualifier

JENNA FRYER

AP Auto Racing Writer

RICHMOND, Virginia (AP) —

When Michael McDowell pulled in front of Tony Stewart during Friday's practice session at Richmond International Raceway, it ruined Stewart's mock qualifying run, maybe his mood, too.

Two-time NASCAR champion Stewart, who finished the practice session 30th on the speed chart, had words with McDowell before heading toward his team debrief. In between was his weekly media briefing, and the temperamental Stewart was just a little testy about his prospects for making the Chase for the Sprint Cup championship. "The pressure is all the media standing here, we're doing the same thing we always do every week," Stewart snapped. For a guy trying to downplay being under pressure, Stewart sure seemed stressed. But that's to be expected heading into Saturday night's race, the final chance for 14 drivers to lock down the final four spots in the 12-driver field. Under a new wild-card format this season, NASCAR will give the final two Chase berths to drivers ranked outside the top 10 who have the most wins. Stewart is ranked 10th in points, and should he finish 18th or higher Saturday night, he'll be just fine. He'll start 22nd in the race. But he's got Brad Keselowski closing quickly on him in the standings, and should Stewart fall outside the top 10, he'll miss the Chase for the second time since its inception in 2004. The only other time Stewart failed to qualify for the Chase was 2006, the year after his second championship, when he failed to deliver at Richmond with the chance to defend his title. Where did he finish that night? He was 18th. □

Nadal Advances

Nadal beats Roddick, sets up U.S. Open SF vs Murray

Rafael Nadal of Spain reacts after winning his quarterfinal match against Andy Roddick at the U.S. Open tennis tournament in New York, Friday, Sept. 9, 2011.
(AP Photo/Mike Groll)
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Nadal beats Roddick, sets up U.S. Open SF vs Murray

HOWARD FENDRICH

AP Tennis Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Defending champion Rafael Nadal set up a meeting with fourth-ranked Andy Murray in the semifinals of the U.S. Open by overwhelming home favorite Andy Roddick in straight sets in the last eight on Friday.

Whipping passing shots from all angles and returning superbly, the No. 2-seeded Nadal beat No. 21 Roddick 6-2, 6-1, 6-3 to reach the semis at Flushing Meadows for the fourth consecutive year.

The Spanish star compiled a stunning 22-0 edge in forehand winners and broke Roddick's powerful serve six times.

Nadal took the first four games against the 2003 U.S. Open champion thanks to two breaks in the opening 18 minutes, then took 16 of the last 17 points to close



Rafael Nadal of Spain returns a shot to Andy Roddick during a quarterfinal match at the U.S. Open tennis tournament in New York, Friday, Sept. 9, 2011.

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the second set. In the third set, Roddick had both of his legs massaged by a trainer during a medical timeout. "The beginning of the match was really important," Nadal said. "Andy

had a really tough match yesterday. Probably, he was tired. Sorry for him." Seeking his 11th Grand Slam title, Nadal has yet to drop a set heading into Saturday's semifinal against

Britain's Murray, who beat No. 28 John Isner 7-5, 6-4, 3-6, 7-6 (2) earlier Friday.

The other semifinal was set up by Thursday's quarterfinals, and it'll be a big one, too: No. 1 Novak Djokovic against No. 3 Roger Federer, who has won five of his record 16 Grand Slam championships at the U.S. Open. For the second time in the last three major tournaments, the final foursome is filled by the top four men in the game — but it hasn't happened at the U.S. Open since 1992.

Djokovic is 62-2 with nine titles in 2011, including at Wimbledon and the Australian Open.

His first loss this season came when Federer ended Djokovic's 43-match winning streak in a thrilling French Open semifinal.

Nadal is 12-4 against Murray, including beating him in the semifinals of the

French Open and Wimbledon this year.

Murray figures to face more of the same trouble in New York if Nadal plays as well as he did Friday.

The exits by Roddick and Isner — with first lady Michelle Obama sitting in the stands at Arthur Ashe Stadium — mean this will be the 32nd Grand Slam tournament in a row without a male champion from the United States, extending the country's longest drought, which dates to Roddick's 2003 triumph in New York.

Not all that long ago, the 29-year-old Roddick wasn't even sure whether he'd be able to compete at the U.S. Open this year because of a torn abdominal muscle. Struggling with various injuries, the former No. 1-ranked player has endured a tough season, dropping outside the top 20 for the first time in a decade. □

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Orioles rally to beat Yankees 5-4 in 10 innings

AL Roundup

BALTIMORE (AP) — Robert Andino singled home the winning run in the 10th inning after leveling it in the eighth as the Baltimore Orioles rallied to beat the New York Yankees 5-4 Thursday. Vladimir Guerrero homered, doubled twice and scored two runs for the Orioles, who celebrated their second straight extra-inning win over the Yankees by mobbing Andino at second base.

In the 10th, Nolan Reimold got an infield hit off Scott Proctor (0-1) with one out and advanced on a walk. Andino then hit a grounder inside third base that got Reimold home without a throw.

Clay Rapada (1-0) retired the only batter he faced in the 10th.

*Blue Jays 7, Red Sox 4

At Toronto, Ricky Romero won for the seventh time in nine starts and J.P. Arencibia hit a three-run homer as Toronto beat Boston. Edwin Encarnacion and Eric Thames added solo shots as the Blue Jays won back-to-back games for the first time since Aug. 31 and Sept. 1 at Baltimore.



Baltimore Orioles manager Buck Showalter, left, congratulates Robert Andino after he batted in the winning run in the 10th inning of a baseball game against the New York Yankees on Thursday, Sept. 8, 2011, in Baltimore.

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Rookie David Cooper went 3 for 4 and had two RBIs as Toronto evened its record

at 72-72. Boston lost for the fourth time in five games and

failed to gain ground on the first place New York Yankees, who lost 5-4 in 10 innings to Baltimore earlier in the day. The Red Sox are 2 1/2 games behind New York with 19 left to play. Romero (14-10) came in 2-6 with an 8.08 ERA in 11 career starts against the Red Sox, including an 0-3 record and 10.62 ERA in five home starts.

But the left-hander turned his luck around in this one, allowing three runs and five hits in 6 2-3 innings.

*White Sox 8, Indians 1

At Chicago, Brent Morel hit two homers and Paul Konerko had a grand slam to lift Chicago to a victory over Cleveland.

Morel hit a solo shot off Indians starter David Huff (2-4) in the third and a three-run homer off Frank Herrmann in the seventh — both on the first pitch.

It was Morel's first career multi-homer game and his four RBIs were a career-high.

Konerko's 10th career grand slam tied Robin Ventura's White Sox record and capped Chicago's seven-run seventh.

Gavin Floyd struck out four and held Cleveland to one run and five hits in 5 2-3 innings. Matt Thornton (1-4)

retired all four batters he faced, striking out three.

*Mariners 4, Royals 1

At Seattle, Justin Smoak hit his first home run in nearly three months, a two-run shot in the sixth inning, to help Seattle beat Kansas City. Smoak hit a 1-1 fastball from Luke Hochevar (10-11) into the right-field seats for his 13th, but first since June 12. He had gone 48 games between home runs.

Jason Vargas (8-13) picked up the victory, his first since Aug. 10.

He worked six innings, allowing four hits and one run. Jamey Wright, Tom Wilhelmsen each worked a hitless inning.

Brandon League had a little trouble getting out of the ninth.

He took a two-out line drive from Mike Moustakas off his left leg, with Moustakas reaching.

Shortstop Brendan Ryan bobbled a Johnny Giavotella ground ball.

League got Salvador Perez to ground out to end the game and earn his 34th save in 39 opportunities.

In other AL games it was Baltimore 5, N.Y. Yankees 4, 10 innings; Toronto 7, Boston 4; Chicago White Sox 8, Cleveland 1; and Seattle 4, Kansas City 1.

Jones, Braves sweep Mets in doubleheader

NL Roundup

NEW YORK (AP) — Julio Teheran earned his first big league win as the Atlanta Braves used a lineup with Chipper Jones as the No. 2 hitter for the first time in 15 years to beat the New York Mets 5-1 Thursday and complete a sweep of a doubleheader made necessary by the threat of Hurricane Irene.

Jones had a sacrifice fly and RBI double in the nightcap and a solo homer and a double in the opener, a 6-5 victory for Atlanta. The Braves were making a quick stop in New York to play two games postponed Aug. 27-28 after being handed their first three-game sweep of the season, by the Phillies. The Braves next head to St. Louis for a crucial series with the team they lead in the wild-card race by 7½ games. Only several hun-



New York Mets catcher Ronny Paulino watches Atlanta Braves' Chipper Jones hit a solo home run off of Chris Schwinden to tie the score 4-4 in the third inning of the first game of a baseball doubleheader on Thursday, Sept. 8, 2011, at Citi Field in New York.

dred fans were on hand to see the start of the twinbill at 4:10 p.m. A few thousand more sat through a misty rain in the nightcap, though the announced attendance was 25,953.

***Dodgers 7, Nationals 4**

At Washington, Tony Gwynn hit a tiebreaking double in the ninth inning as Los Angeles beat Washington in the first game of a doubleheader on Thursday.

Gwynn drove in Jerry Sands and Rod Barajas with a

long double to center off Drew Storen (6-3). Dee Gordon added a run-scoring single — setting a career high with his fourth hit of the game. Mike MacDougal (3-1), the Dodgers' sixth pitcher, worked a score-

less eighth for the win. Javy Guerra pitched the ninth for his 16th save. Six Los Angeles relievers held Washington hitless over the last 6 1-3 innings.

The second game of the doubleheader was later rained out.

***Phillies 7, Brewers 2**

At Milwaukee, Cole Hamels pitched a four-hitter and Hunter Pence's triple keyed a six-run sixth inning as Philadelphia beat Milwaukee. Hamels (14-7) gave up solo home runs to Yunesky Betancourt and Corey Hart, but kept Milwaukee from mounting any big innings in a game between two best teams in the National League.

In other NL games it was L.A. Dodgers 7, Washington 4, 1st game; Atlanta 6, N.Y. Mets 5 1st game; Atlanta 5, N.Y. Mets 1, 2nd game; Philadelphia 7, Milwaukee 2; and Arizona 4, San Diego 1.

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Rodgers throws 3 TDs, Packers outlast Saints 42-34

NFL Roundup

CHRIS JENKINS

AP Sports Writer

GREEN BAY, Wis. (AP) —

As far as Aaron Rodgers is concerned, that should just about silence any further questions about why the Green Bay Packers didn't work out as a team during the lockout.

If Thursday's season opener at Lambeau Field could be considered a referendum on the importance of those player-led team workouts, the results are in after the Packers' wild 42-34 victory over the New Orleans Saints: The sessions Drew Brees led over the summer weren't enough to help the Saints take down the reigning champions, and the Packers' decision not to get together as a team certainly didn't seem to hurt them. "That was a good start for us," Rodgers joked afterward. "But I've just got to ask myself, 'What would have happened if we had had offseason workouts?' Could we have started any



Green Bay Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers throws during the first half of an NFL football game against the New Orleans Saints Thursday, Sept. 8, 2011, in Green Bay, Wis.

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faster and scored more points tonight?"

Rodgers came out on top in a memorable opening-night duel with Brees. And after allowing 477 total net yards to the Saints, the Packers defense made a goal-line stand on the final play of the game.

"We had some problems defensively, but that's a very good offense and he's a great quarterback,"

Packers coach Mike McCarthy said of Brees. "Sean (Payton) does a great job on offense. This will be a great experience we can learn from."

With the Saints on the 1-yard line for one last play, Clay Matthews and safety Morgan Burnett led a swarm of Packers defenders who stopped Saints rookie running back Mark Ingram short of the goal line.

"You've got to get a yard," Ingram said. "It's goal line to win the game, got to get a yard."

Matthews was hoping for a more dominant performance, but he'll take the win. "Obviously, you'd love to have a blowout, but I think it represents everything that we preach, which is finishing games," Matthews said. "And it comes down to the very last play — we win, or they have an opportunity to tie

it up. I think it's fantastic to overcome that adversity." Brees threw for 419 yards and three touchdowns, including a late score to Jimmy Graham that cut the lead to 8 with 2:15 left.

"I was proud of the way we hung in there and fought back," Payton said. "There will be a lot of things on tape that we've got to clean up with this first game. Credit Green Bay. They did a very good job and did all the things they needed to do to win a home game like that." For all their yards, Brees said the Saints weren't good enough in the red zone.

"We were one of five, so we scored touchdowns just one out of five times in the red zone," Brees said. "That's not going to win you a lot of games, especially on the road in this type of environment against this kind of team." □

Patrick concerned about racing next week in Japan

JENNA FRYER

AP Auto Racing Writer

RICHMOND, Virginia (AP) —

American racing driver Danica Patrick said Friday she is concerned about traveling to Japan for the Sept. 18 IndyCar race at Twin Ring Motegi.

MotoGP postponed its April race until October because of concerns stemming from the earthquake and tsunami that devastated the country earlier this year. But IndyCar is going forward with its event and Patrick questioned the wisdom of that decision.

"I don't want to make anyone mad, but heck yeah, I'm concerned," Patrick said at Richmond International Raceway. "MotoGP has made a big fuss about going there, and their race got delayed, and is still after ours next weekend. They had a study done that seemed it was relatively



American racing driver Danica Patrick said Friday she is concerned about traveling to Japan for the Sept. 18 IndyCar race at Twin Ring Motegi.

safe. The radiation seems OK."

But Patrick said she is concerned about the food and water, as well as the earthquakes that have occurred since the March disaster. She and her husband plan to pack as much food and water as possible.

"They say don't eat beef, which probably means don't eat vegetables and fruit," she said. □





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New Jersey team still remembers its missing

HARVEY ARATON

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LINWOOD, N.J. — The pursuit of normalcy was momentarily derailed by a simple, understandable mistake.

"Edgar Bozzi," Bob Coffey called out while reading from a roster of his Mainland Regional High School football team, taking attendance at the outset of a morning practice.

After an uncomfortable pause, several of Coffey's players responded in unison.

"Here," they said.

If only it were true, if only the calendar could be turned back to before Aug. 20 when Bozzi, 16, and three other players died in a crash on the Garden State Parkway that devastated the school and the South Jersey towns that feed it.

"The kids wanted me to keep everyone's name on the roster and every once in a while I'll slip up," Coffey said afterward. "We've had four kids who died only a couple of weeks ago and time is not really doing it for me. But the kids — all of us — need normalcy and we're trying to move forward."

Normalcy — or its pretense — was the sun breaking through rain clouds over the school's athletic facility on a humid Wednesday morning as the Mustangs prepared for their season opener Friday night against Hammonton. It was the sound of coaches barking commands and the sight of the school's cheerleaders practicing their routines — and of Dean Khoury's father taking a jog around the track while keeping an eye on the football team going through its paces.

Khoury, 15, was the youngest of the four boys killed in the crash when a 2002 Ford Explorer carrying eight players lost control while braking for traffic and rolled over several times.

"He's been coming every day, Khoury's dad," Coffey said, adding that he expected all the grieving parents to attend the team's pasta dinner on Thursday night and Friday night's home game, which was shaping up to be the most

poignant and painful for Coffey in his 25 plus years as Mainland Regional's head coach.

"They will come to every-

during the 1978 Gator Bowl that led to his dismissal.

But Coffey eschewed a college coaching career to return home to Linwood,

edy that claimed the lives of Casey Brenner, 17, and Nicholas Conner, 16, in addition to Bozzi and Khoury, was especially cruel for

boys were not wearing seat belts. New Jersey law generally bars drivers under 18 from carrying more than one passenger, unless accompanied by a parent or guardian. According to the Motor Vehicle Commission, teenage drivers with two or more teenage passengers are five times more likely to be involved in a fatal crash than those with none.

Coffey has said that one of the teens who survived the crash told him that Brenner, who was driving the car, wasn't driving excessively fast and there wasn't any particular distraction in the car.

He added that the group meals out have been a tradition in the area, organized by the players. "I've never been to a single one and none of the coaches have," he said. "That day, the last kid out of the weight room I heard say, 'I'll see you at the buffet.' I thought, they must be doing the buffet thing today."



Mainland Regional High School football players during a morning practice in Linwood, N.J., Sept. 7, 2011. The team prepares for its season opener on Friday night while dealing with the deaths of four players who died in a car crash on Aug. 20.

(Jessica Kourkounis/The New York Times).

thing we do this year and will be at every game," he said. "They've already told me they'll be here, that they won't miss a beat."

High school football, Coffey said, has been the recreational backbone of the region's towns, which include Linwood, Northfield and Somers Point. Under Coffey, Mainland has won five state championships and in 2008 was the second-ranked team in New Jersey behind the national power Don Bosco Prep.

Since 1995, when the 1,600-student high school installed lights at its field, football games have drawn upwards of 5,000 people per game.

"Friday night football here is in an event, like Pennsylvania towns," Coffey said. "Everybody stops what they're doing."

Coffey, 56, grew up in Linwood and lives across the street from the school. He played college football at Clemson and was a graduate assistant coach there for two years. He was on the field when Woody Hayes, the legendary Ohio State coach, threw the punch at a Clemson player



Coach Bob Coffey of the Mainland Regional High School football team, leads players in a morning practice in Linwood, N.J., Sept. 7, 2011. Coffey's team prepares for its season opener on Friday night while dealing with the deaths of four players who died in a car crash on Aug. 20.

(Jessica Kourkounis/The New York Times)

starting as an assistant at Mainland 30 years ago. He teaches science at the school.

"This is my place and my community," he said. "It's real small, close knit. Everybody knows everybody." With two football playing sons of his own, the trag-

Coffey because it resulted from his players doing what most football coaches preach, trying to become a family.

The crash occurred when about 20 of the Mustangs decided to meet after practice at the Old Country Buffet. Some of the eight

The next time the Mustangs gathered was the following night at a memorial service at the football field. With more tears to shed and funerals to attend, the question Coffey had for his players was when the right time would come to get back to the game. □

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U.S. gets chance to catch up on credit card security

By PETER SVENSSON
AP Technology Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — The next time you swipe your credit card at check-out, consider this: It's a ritual the rest of the world deems outdated and unsafe.

The United States is the only developed country still hanging on to credit and debit cards with those black magnetic stripes, the kind you swipe through retail terminals.

The rest of the industrialized world has switched—or is in the process of switching—to “smart” chip-based cards.

The problem with that black magnetic stripe on the back of your credit card is that it's about as secure as writing your account information on a postcard: everything is in the clear and can be copied. Card fraud, and the measures taken to prevent it, costs U.S. merchants, banks and consumers billions each year.

The smart cards can't be copied, which greatly reduces the potential for fraud. Smart cards with built-in chips are the equivalent of a safe: they can hide information so it can only be unlocked with the right key.

Because the important information is hidden, the cards can't be replicated. But the stripes have been so entrenched in the vast U.S. payment system that banks, payment processors and retailers have failed to reach consensus on how to revamp it, leaving the U.S. behind the rest of the



Two bank smart cards are displayed in London, Friday, Sept. 9, 2011. Smart cards with built-in chips, are the equivalent of a safe: they can hide information so it can only be unlocked with the right key.

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world.

“The card system in this country has been dysfunctional for a long time,” says Mallory Duncan, general counsel of the National Retail Federation.

“We have far, far too much fraud because we have a very antiquated payment system relative to the rest of the world. This is something they should have fixed a long time ago.”

Yet even here, there are now serious moves to swap conventional cards for smart cards in a few years.

Last month, Visa announced new policies that will give U.S. banks a reason to issue smart cards and stores several reasons to accept them, starting in 2015.

Eric Schindewolf, product manager for smart cards at Wells Fargo & Co., says Visa's announcement is a “watershed” moment.

“I think that the U.S. has reached a tipping point. You'll begin to see more and more smart cards in the hands of U.S. consumers,” Schindewolf says.

Smart cards are recognizable by the fingernail-sized gold contacts embedded on one side. Through the contacts, a chip inside the card can transmit information to a terminal when slid into a slot.

Here's how a smart card works in practice: When it's time to settle the bill at “Le Gaspard de la Nuit,” a tiny restaurant just off the Place de la Bastille in Paris, the waiter brings to the table a wireless payment terminal. The customer inserts his chip-equipped “smart” credit card and enters his code on the keypad.

Voila! The foie gras is paid for without the card leaving the customer's sight, and the combination of chip and PIN code kept the transaction safe from fraud.

The U.S. payments industry has so far been locked up in a “chicken and egg” quandary, Schindewolf says. Stores had little reason to install terminals for smart cards if banks didn't issue them, and aside from some contactless cards, banks didn't issue them because stores wouldn't accept them.

The impasse has left U.S. businesses and consumers struggling with higher fraud rates. Richard Sullivan, the senior economist in payments research at the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City, says that in 2006, 9 cents out every \$100 paid by card in the U.S. ended up in the pockets of criminals. The comparable figure for Spain was 2 cents. Sullivan believes the use of

smart cards there is a big reason for the difference. Other factors play a role, too.

Spaniards, for instance, are less likely to shop online.

Javelin Strategy & Research puts the amount of fraud based on stolen card numbers in the U.S. at \$14 billion. Fraud based on new card accounts created using stolen identities adds billions more — the total cost of identity fraud in the country is \$37 billion.

Visa's move comes as industry experts are warning that U.S. merchants are set to become targets for fraudsters in other countries where payment systems already have tighter security. Since counterfeit magnetic-stripe cards are now difficult to use in other countries, these criminals will probably ship the cards to the U.S.

That prospect is especially worrisome now that Mexico and Canada, are adopting smart cards, experts say.

“There's already evidence that that type of channel for fraud is increasing in the U.S.,” says Sullivan.

The U.S.'s status as a hold-out has also started to cause problems for travelers. While most European stores and restaurants still accept magnetic-stripe cards, Americans are finding that their credit cards don't work in European automated kiosks, like the ones that sell tickets for the Paris Metro. Some U.S. banks, like Wells Fargo, have started issuing smart cards to customers who travel abroad. □

Hurricane causes huge US casino revenue drop

WAYNE PARRY

Associated Press

ATLANTIC CITY, New Jersey (AP) — Hurricane Irene

blew away a historic chunk of the Atlantic City casinos' revenue last month: The nearly 20 percent decline was the biggest monthly plunge in the 33-year history of the nation's second-largest gambling market. The storm forced the city's 11 casinos to close for three days, causing an estimated \$45 million worth of lost business during what would have been one of the busiest weekends of the year. The year-over-year numbers also were hurt by the fact that there was one fewer Sunday this August



Al Reichenbach, a facilities worker at Resorts Casino Hotel in Atlantic City, NJ, fills sandbags to protect it from Hurricane Irene. Irene blew away a historic chunk of the Atlantic City casinos' revenue last month: The nearly 20 percent decline was the biggest monthly plunge in the 33-year history of the nation's second-largest gambling market.

(AP Photo/Wayne Parry)

bore down on New Jersey with predictions of widespread damage. The casinos closed around 8 p.m. on Aug. 26, a day and a half before the storm hit, to allow for the orderly evacuation of Atlantic City and surrounding shore towns. They reopened at noon on Aug. 29, the day after the storm hit.

The storm weakened as it reached New Jersey's shores, and damage to Atlantic City was minimal. Irene wrecked what was shaping up to be one of Atlantic City's best months in quite some time, said Don Marrandino, eastern regional president of Caesars Entertainment Inc., which owns four of the city's 11 casinos.

"We were having a hell of a month," Marrandino said. "We were full, with great numbers. There were sold-out concerts. Then it was just Mother Nature. We don't seem to catch many breaks."

The closure cost Atlantic City's casinos a combined

\$45 million, Marrandino and several other casino executives estimated. Business also was lost before and after the shutdown.

"We were affected big-time on the Thursday before the storm, Friday most of the day, we lost all day Saturday and Sunday," he said. "Monday we were 50 percent off and Tuesday we were still 25 percent off. The storm really clipped us."

Likewise, Tony Rodio, president of the Tropicana Casino and Resort, said it wasn't until Aug. 31 — three days after the storm — that business at his casino returned to normal.

"This wasn't just a three-day event," he said. "We lost business for days after that."

The casinos' take from slot machines fell nearly 21 percent to \$193.7 million, while table games revenue decreased by 17 percent, to \$85.1 million.

The biggest decline was at the Trump Taj Mahal Casino Resort, down 35.5 percent to \$25.9 million. □

G7 seeks to balance Growth and austerity



International Monetary Fund (IMF) managing director Christine Lagarde reacts during the group photo in Marseille, southern France, Friday, Sept. 9, 2011. The financial leaders of the world's most developed economies wrangled Friday over how to revive a faltering recovery at a time when interest rates are already low and government debt is high.

(AP Photo/Lionel Cironneau)

MARSEILLE, France (AP) — Financial leaders of the world's most developed economies have pledged to find a balance between reining in deficits and supporting economic growth, even as threats to the world's economic recovery mount. French Finance Minister Francois Baroin said "we must tread the difficult path of achieving fiscal adjustment plans while supporting economic activity." Baroin spoke Friday night following a meeting of the so-called Group of Seven economies — the U.S., Canada, Japan, the U.K., France, Italy and Germany. Baroin also said the financial officials agreed that "concerns over the pace and future of the recovery" means they need to set out "ambitious and growth-friendly fiscal consolidation plans" to narrow unsustainable debt and deficits. □

compared with August 2010.

The \$278.8 million the gambling halls took in was down 19.8 percent, according to the state Division of Gaming Enforcement. The previous record was set in March 2009, which saw a 19.4 percent decline.

Gov. Chris Christie ordered the casinos to close as Irene

Dollar jumps to nearly 7-month high vs euro

NEW YORK (AP) — The U.S. dollar jumped to a nearly seven-month high against the euro late Friday, undermined by renewed concerns about a Greek default and the surprise resignation of a European Central Bank official.

Juergen Stark, one of the ECB's policymakers, abruptly resigned three years before the end of his term. He is considered a "hawk" — a policymaker who would be more likely to push for higher interest rates because of inflation worries.

"His sudden departure means there is one less person in the central bank to champion for tighter monetary policy and makes it ever clearer that the ECB will not be raising interest rates again this year," said GTF research director Kathy Lien.

The ECB has raised rates twice since April. Lower rates tend to make a currency, in this case the euro, less attractive to investors.



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The head of the ECB had suggested that interest-rate increases were on hold on Thursday as the European debt crisis hurts the continent's economy.

Also weighing on the euro were rumors that Greece could default on its loans "as early as this weekend," Lien said. Another rumor circulating was that Germany was already preparing for a Greek default and putting together a plan to protect German banks that are exposed to Greek debt.

In late trading Friday, the

euro fell to \$1.3656 from \$1.3891 late Thursday. Earlier, the euro fell to 1.3626, its lowest point since February 22.

It has dropped more than 6 percent since late August as Europe's debt crisis, and fears of a Greek default, worry investors about the health of the larger euro bloc's economy and banks.

Also on Thursday, Fed Chairman Ben Bernanke failed to lay out more plans for aid to the U.S. economy, as many investors had hoped he would. □



Good news for the Tampa area: Sales and median prices of existing homes in the Tampa Bay area rose last month.

Tampa home sales, prices are edging up

MARK PUENTE,
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Sales and median prices of existing homes in the Tampa Bay area rose last month after dropping in July, continuing a teeter-totter pattern that has persisted for months.

The median price of single-family homes in Hillsborough, Pinellas and Pasco counties rose 4 percent in August to \$129,900, according to My Florida Regional Multiple Listing Service data. The figures include conventional, foreclosure and short sales. The median price in August 2010 was \$141,100.

Total sales rose from 2,324 in July to 2,392 in August. The August sales total represents a 23 percent increase from August 2010.

When will prices and sales totals show consistent strength? Not any time soon, said Tina Shank, an agent with RE/Max Realtec Group in Palm Harbor. She predicted that prices will gradually drop for 18 to 24 more months. Home sellers will be affected, but the price drop won't be as drastic, she added.

"It is going to be hard for people to sell their house and get the prices they want," Shank said.

Rae Catanese of Tropical Prudential Realty in South Tampa believes the market is improving since median prices rose from \$109,155 in January to \$129,250 in June. She cautioned the market cannot be accurately measured in one-month spurts.

"I think it's pretty stable," she said. "I think we've leveled off at least in South Tampa."

The median price of conventional home sales jumped 6 percent \$160,250 to \$170,000 from July to August in the three counties. In August 2010, the median price of a conventional sale was \$179,945.

Foreclosure sales rose from 562 in July to 581 in August, down from the peak of 975 in March.

The median price of foreclosure sales rose from \$70,600 in July to \$75,000 in August. Sales figures do not include Hernando and Citrus counties because Realtors in the two counties report data to another MLS board. □



US stocks plunge as worries about Europe intensify

DANIEL WAGNER
FRANCESCA LEVY
AP Business Writers

NEW YORK (AP) — The problems that weighed down stocks all summer show no sign of letting up.

U.S. stocks plunged Friday, erasing the week's gains, amid rising fears about fallout from Europe's debt crisis. Seeking safer investments, investors sent the yield on the 10-year Treasury note to the lowest level in five decades.

The resignation of a key official from the European

night, but Wall Street is not convinced that the proposal can pass through a divided Congress.

The Dow Jones industrial average fell 303.68 points, or 2.7 percent, to close at 10,992.13. The Dow at several points approached a 400-point decline in afternoon trading.

The Standard & Poor's 500 fell 31.67, or 2.7 percent, to 1,154.23. The Nasdaq composite fell 61.15, or 2.4 percent, to 2,467.99.

The Dow had its steepest decline in more than three

sury note plunged to its lowest level since the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis began keeping daily records in 1962. It fell to 1.93 percent from 1.99 percent late Thursday.

Word of the resignation of Juergen Stark, the top economist at the ECB, came shortly after the U.S. markets opened. He was an advocate for higher interest rates.

Published reports said he left because he opposed the bank's extensive purchases of debt issued by



Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton, U.S. Sen. Charles Schumer, center, and former New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani, participate in opening bell ceremonies of the New York Stock Exchange Friday, Sept. 9, 2011, in commemoration of the 10th anniversary of the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks.

(AP Photo/Richard Drew)

Central Bank revealed deepening divisions over how to solve Europe's economic problems.

Traders fear that one of Europe's heavily indebted economies could collapse. That would send shock waves through the global banking system and make it difficult for other European countries facing default to borrow money.

Such an outcome to the European debt crisis would likely tip the world economy back into recession.

In the U.S., the economy faces slowing growth and a stubbornly high unemployment rate. President Barack Obama unveiled a \$447 billion jobs program Thursday

weeks, a period marked by wild swings in prices and sentiment.

"Markets always vacillate between fear and greed, and today we're coming down pretty much all on the fear side," said Kim Caughey Forrest, equity research analyst at Fort Pitt Capital Group.

All three indexes are lower for the week. The Dow is down more than 2 percent. It has fallen in five of the past six weeks, and four of the past five trading sessions.

Nervous investors rushed to buy investments seen as safe, sending Treasury yields to historic lows. The yield on the 10-year Trea-

heavily indebted member nations.

Stark's departure rattled traders because the outcome in Europe might determine whether the U.S. economy recovers or slips back into recession, said Andrew Goldberg, market strategist with J.P. Morgan Funds. He said traders are latching onto any piece of news that might signal a positive or negative outcome in Europe.

Banks in Europe hold an unknown amount of bonds issued by heavily indebted nations such as Greece, Ireland and Portugal. The value of the bonds would quickly plummet if one of those nations defaults. □

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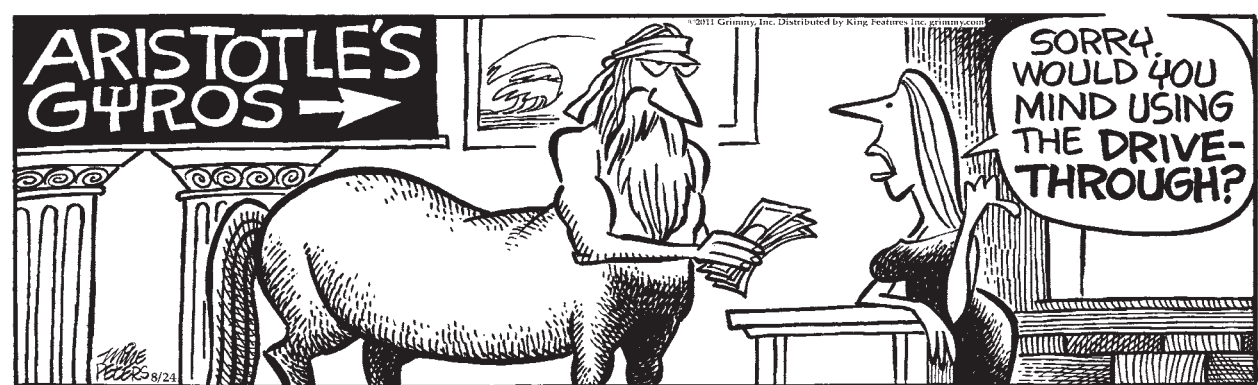
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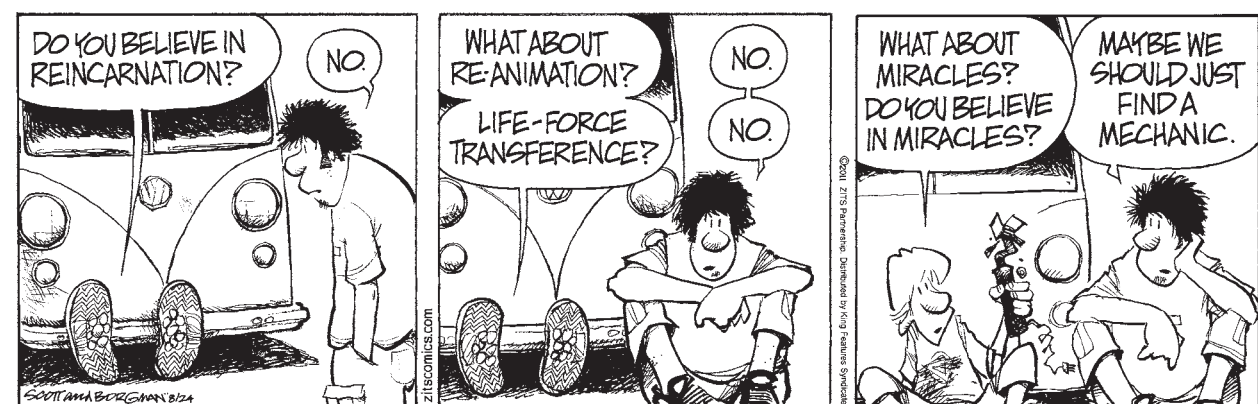
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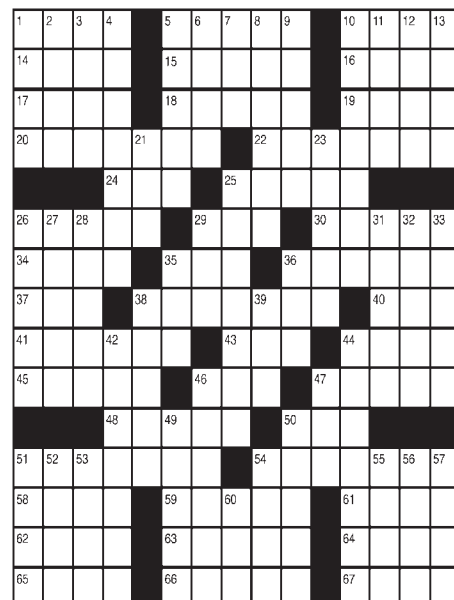
Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

Yesterday's puzzle answer

8	4	3	9	2	1	6	7	5
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7	2	4	8	6	9	5	1	3
5	3	9	2	1	7	4	6	8
6	8	1	3	5	4	7	2	9

ACROSS

- 1 Shirts and blouses
- 5 In the __ of; surrounded by
- 10 Hole-making tools
- 14 Foretelling sign
- 15 French farewell
- 16 Debatable
- 17 Copenhagen
- 18 Beg
- 19 " __ Karenina"
- 20 Tidy
- 22 Gang member
- 24 Last letter
- 25 Socialite Hilton
- 26 Very expensive
- 29 Noisiness
- 30 Marine animals with flippers
- 34 Allen and Curry
- 35 " __ voyage!"
- 36 Arthritic lump
- 37 Unit of elec. current
- 38 Make more taut
- 40 Mom's mate
- 41 Keep
- 43 Bit of cereal
- 44 Flat bean
- 45 Lovers' meeting
- 46 The Matterhorn or Mont Blanc
- 47 Hell's ruler
- 48 __ out; get rid of slowly
- 50 Watch chain
- 51 Homo __; man
- 54 Deadly blade attached to a rifle's muzzle
- 58 On __ with; equivalent to
- 59 Capital of Afghanistan
- 61 Roam; wander
- 62 __ of Capri
- 63 Detroit team
- 64 Level; smooth
- 65 Carter and Clinton: abbr.
- 66 Gladden
- 67 Pub game projectile



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Tuesday's Puzzle Solved

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DOWN

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- 2 Poet Khayyám
- 3 Be unsettled
- 4 Reacts to too much pepper
- 5 Syrup flavor
- 6 In a lazy way
- 7 Pass away
- 8 Sailor
- 9 Henry VIII's royal house
- 10 Piled up
- 11 Refuses to
- 12 Solitary
- 13 Celebrity
- 21 Boehner or Pelosi: abbr.
- 23 Buffalo
- 25 Teeny opening
- 26 Begin
- 27 Stopwatch
- 28 Full's opposite
- 29 Chow or collie
- 31 Go over the financial books
- 32 Andes animal
- 33 Camry or Jetta
- 35 Box
- 36 Tennis court divider
- 38 Church offering
- 39 Touch lightly
- 42 Has high hopes
- 44 Worked
- 46 Attack
- 47 __ sauce; teriyaki flavor
- 49 Leg joint
- 50 Untrue
- 51 Uttered
- 52 Domed church projection
- 53 Date tree
- 54 Tap a baseball
- 55 __ Scotia
- 56 At any time
- 57 Camper's roof
- 60 Feathery scarf

Today In History

The Associated Press

Today is Saturday, September 10, the 253rd day of 2011. There are 112 days left in the year.

Highlights in history on this date:

1526 - Forces under Turkey's Suleiman I capture city of Buda in Hungary.

1654 - Russia's Czar Alexis takes Smolensk, occupied since 1611 by Poland.

1844 - France's war in Morocco ends with Treaty of Tangier.

1885 - Britain makes compromise settlement with Russia over Afghanistan frontier.

1898 - Empress Elizabeth of Austria-Hungary is assassinated by an Italian anarchist in Geneva.

1907 - British colony of New Zealand becomes a dominion.

1939 - German Army gains complete control of western Poland; Canada declares war on Germany.

1951 - Britain blocks Iran's sterling balances in the U.K. and bans export of essential raw materials to Iran in an effort to create economic trouble for Premier Mohammed Mossadegh so he will resign.

1953 - An earthquake destroys villages on Cyprus killing at least 40 people, 100 were seriously injured and thousands left homeless.

1963 - Twenty black students enter public schools in Birmingham, Tuskegee and Mobile, Alabama, following a standoff between federal authorities and Gov. George C. Wallace, who resisted integration.

1964 - Foreign ministers of Organization of African Unity approve plan to end rebellion and political strife in Congo.

1967 - Gibraltar electorate votes to retain link with Britain rather than to return to Spanish sovereignty.

1972 - United States vetoes U.N. Security Council resolution that calls for immediate cessation of military operations in Middle East.

1977 - Convicted murderer Hamida Djandoubi, a Tunisian immigrant, is the last person executed by the

guillotine in France.

1979 - The Marines decide to reduce their active duty strength by 10,000 men to save money; bringing the Marine Corps to its lowest peacetime level in 18 years.

1984 - The U.S. House of Representatives passes a compromise measure for stronger health warnings on cigarette packages and advertising.

1989 - Hungary decides to allow about 7,000 East German refugees to leave for West Germany.

1990 - Iraq offers free oil to

the killings.

1999 - Three bombs explode in apartment buildings in Moscow and Volgograd, in southern Russia, killing at least 229 people and sparking speculation of a terrorist campaign in Russia.

2000 - Ecuador becomes the first Latin American country to adopt the U.S. dollar officially, as part of a controversial economic stabilization plan.

2001 - Belarus President Alexander Lukashenko sweeps the election to another five-year term on



Today is Guy Ritchie's birthday

third world countries.

1991 - In Moscow, Mikhail Gorbachev convenes first human rights conference to be held in Soviet Union.

1992 - Fighting continues around Sarajevo's airport and U.N. Secretary General recommends increasing the 1,500-member peace-keeping force in Bosnia to as many as 7,500 soldiers.

1993 - Five Somali employees of Cable News Network are killed and four wounded in clan fighting.

1994 - Pope John Paul II begins a visit to former Yugoslavia.

1995 - A U.S. warship in the Adriatic Sea fires Tomahawk cruise missiles at Serb sites in northwestern Bosnia, damaging Serb air defenses.

1996 - Hurricane Hortense lashes Puerto Rico with punishing winds and torrents of rain killing seven people.

1998 - Afghanistan's Taliban rulers say nine of 11 Iranian diplomats missing since a battle in August are dead, but deny responsibility for

promises to merge with Russia and stand up to the West.

2002 - Ramzi bin al-Shibh, a senior operative of the al-Qaeda terrorist network who was suspected of coordinating September 11 attacks, is arrested in one of a series of raids on apartments in Karachi, Pakistan.

2003 - World Trade Organization talks in Mexico collapse over dispute on agricultural subsidies.

2004 - The Jamaican government urges 500,000 people to evacuate as Hurricane Ivan approaches, one of the strongest storms on record.

2005 - Gunmen botch a brazen assassination attempt on Afghanistan's defense minister, opening fire on his convoy in Kabul, while fresh fighting in the south leaves 30 suspected militants dead.

2006 - Montenegrins vote in the first parliamentary elections since their tiny Balkan state split from Serbia, while police announce a crack-

down on an alleged ethnic Albanian terrorist group authorities said had threatened the ballot.

2007 - Former Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif returns to Pakistan from a seven-year exile, hoping to campaign against the country's U.S.-allied military ruler, but is immediately charged with corruption and deported to Saudi Arabia hours later.

2008 - The world's largest particle collider passes its first major tests by firing two beams of protons in opposite directions around a 17-mile (27-kilometer) ring under the Franco-Swiss border.

Today's Birthdays:

Franz Werfel, Austrian writer (1890-1945); Sir Ranjitsinhji Vibhaji, Indian cricket player and maharaja of Nawanagar (1872-1933); Georges Bataille, French writer (1897-1962); Fay Wray, Canadian actress (1907-2004); Stephen Jay Gould, U.S. biologist and writer (1941-2002); Colin Firth, British actor (1960--); Guy Ritchie, director (1968--).

Thought for Today:

Life does not cease to be funny when people die any more than it ceases to be serious when people laugh — George Bernard Shaw, Irish-born playwright (1856-1950). □

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2nd delay for NASA's launch of spacecraft to moon

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AP Aerospace Writer

CAPE CANAVERAL, Florida

(AP)—NASA's latest moon-shot was delayed again until Saturday so engineers could make sure the rocket was safe to fly.

High wind halted the countdown for the first launch attempt Thursday, and NASA aimed for Friday. Then late Thursday night, they bumped the launch to Saturday.

Space agency officials said they needed time to analyze data from the core engine of the unmanned Delta II rocket.

As the rocket was drained of propellants Thursday, an engine heater apparently stayed on longer than usual.

Engineers wanted to make sure no repairs were need-



This image provided by NASA shows NASA's GRAIL twin spacecraft await launch atop a United Launch Alliance Delta II rocket at Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, Fla. Thursday Evening Sept. 8, 2011. NASA's latest moonshot has been delayed again, this time until Saturday because of rocket

concerns. High wind halted the countdown Thursday, and NASA aimed for Friday. Then late Thursday night, NASA bumped the launch to Saturday. Liftoff time is 8:29 a.m.

(AP Photo/NASA - Thom Baur)

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Everything checked out fine, and the rocket was cleared for flight, said NASA spokesman Allard Beutel.

Saturday's liftoff time is 8:29 a.m. (1229 GMT). Forecasters put the odds of favorable weather at 60 percent; the outlook improves Sunday.

The near identical twin satellites are named Grail-A and Grail-B. Grail stands for Gravity Recovery and Interior Laboratory.

Scientists will measure the entire gravity field of the moon by keeping precise track of the distance between the two probes as they chase one another around Earth's closest neighbor.

They hope to figure out what's beneath the moon's surface, all the way down to the core.

None of the world's previous 109 moon missions has been dedicated to lunar gravity like Grail.

The \$496 million Grail mission also is reaching out to schoolchildren.

Each spacecraft has four cameras; middle school children can order up snapshots of the moon during the science operation phase of the project, which will run from March through May.

America's first spacewoman, Sally Ride, is leading the MoonKAM educational effort. □

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Globes to air in January despite dispute

ANTHONY McCARTNEY

AP Entertainment Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The Golden Globe Awards will air on the NBC television network for another year despite an ongoing bitter dispute between its organizers and longtime producers.

NBC announced Friday that it would air the Jan. 15 show, ending any uncertainty caused by the delay last week of a trial aimed at settling the broadcast rights dispute. The show's producers for nearly 30 years, Dick Clark Productions, negotiated an extension last year to keep the glitzy awards gala on NBC through 2018. The Hollywood Foreign Press Association sued over the deal, claiming the company had no right to enter into the deal. It has said it thinks the show's broadcast rights are undervalued and that another network would pay more to air the show, which attracts Hollywood's top stars. Also at stake are tens of millions of dollars.

A trial to resolve who owns the broadcast rights had been scheduled to begin Tuesday, but had to be rescheduled after a judge indicated she could no longer hear the case.

NBC, which is not a party to the lawsuit, did not mention the dispute in its press release.

The press association declined comment. □



Standing in the front row, Bebe Neuwirth, right, Brian Stokes Mitchell, second from right, Amra-Faye Wright, third right, Ben Vereen, left, and Joel Grey, second from left, raise their arms as they and other Broadway performers practice their rendition of "New York, New York" before performing it during an event commemorating the 10th anniversary of the Sept. 11 attacks, Friday Sept. 9, 2011 in New York's Duffy Square.

(AP Photo/Tina Fineberg)

Broadway marks 9/11 anniversary

MARK KENNEDY

AP Drama Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Joel Grey, Kara DioGuardi, Bebe Neuwirth, Ben Vereen and Brian Stokes Mitchell — along with sailors, nuns, drag queens, ballerinas and a Spider-Man — helped mark the 10th anniversary of the Sept. 11 terror attacks with a full-throated reprise of the song "New York, New York." The stars and members of

musicals like "The Book of Mormon," "Anything Goes" and "Priscilla Queen of the Desert, the Musical" gathered in Times Square on Friday to belt out the John Kander and Fred Ebb song made famous by Frank Sinatra.

NYPD Officer Daniel Rodriguez also sang an operatic "God Bless America."

The event was put on to support the 9/11 Day of Ser-

vice and Remembrance's I Will Campaign, which asks people to observe the anniversary by performing good deeds, supporting charitable causes, volunteering and engaging in acts of compassion.

The mini-concert was a replay of what the Broadway community sang 10 years ago to promote theater in New York City following 9/11. □



Amy Winehouse poses for photographs after being interviewed by the Associated Press at a studio in north London. Amy Winehouse's father says he thinks she died after suffering a seizure related to alcohol detoxification and "there was nobody there to rescue her."

(AP Photo/Matt Dunham, File)

Winehouse's dad says thinks seizure killed her

NEW YORK (AP) — Amy Winehouse's father says he thinks she died after suffering a seizure related to alcohol detoxification and "there was nobody there to rescue her." The soul diva was found dead in her London home July 23. She had fought drug and alcohol problems for years. Toxicology reports say there was alcohol in her bloodstream but it was unclear whether this contributed to her death.

The "Tears Dry on Their Own" singer was 27 years old.

Mitch Winehouse said Friday in a taping of Anderson Cooper's new syndicated talk show his daughter had been off drugs for two and a half years and was fighting alcohol problems, with occasional seizures.

He says her blood also contained traces of the prescription drug Librium, used to fight anxiety and withdrawal symptoms of alcoholism. □

Mel Gibson to produce film on Jewish hero

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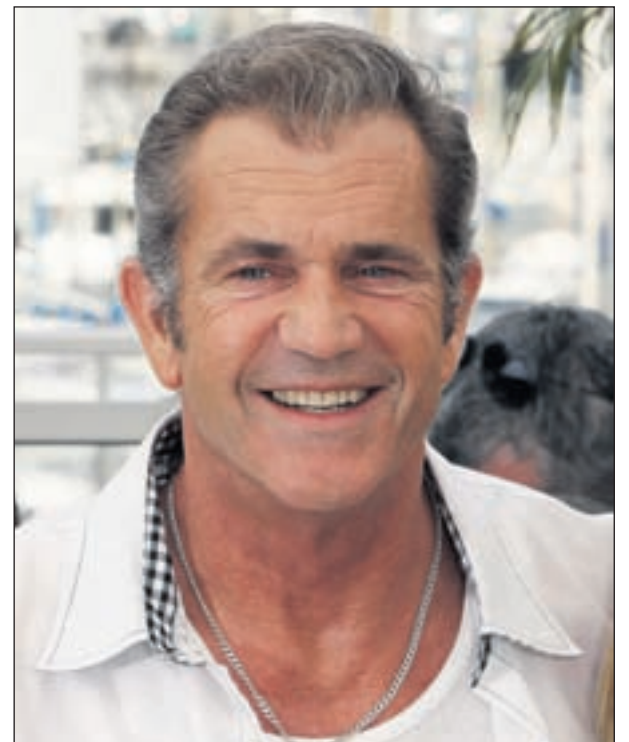
AP Movie Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Mel Gibson, who reportedly made anti-Semitic remarks during a drunken driving arrest five years ago, is now producing a film about the life of Jewish hero Judah Maccabee.

Gibson's publicist, Alan Nierob, told The Associated Press Friday that Gibson is working on a deal with Warner Bros. to develop the film through his company, Icon Productions. Nierob said the studio also would like Gibson to direct, but Gibson will decide whether he wants to do that once a script is finished.

The movie is being written by Joe Eszterhas of "Basic Instinct" and "Flashdance" fame.

Gibson, the Oscar-winning director of "Braveheart," has defended himself against accusations of anti-Semitism ever since his 2006 drunken driving arrest, in which a deputy's report revealed he made anti-Jewish and sexist slurs while in custody. □



Actor Mel Gibson arrives at a photo call for the film, "The Beaver," at the Cannes International Film festival in France. Gibson will develop a movie about the Jewish hero Judah Maccabee.

(AP Photo/Lionel Cironneau, file)

Film casts Palin as big grudge-holder



Former Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin and husband Todd, greet fair goers during a visit to the Iowa State Fair in Des Moines, Iowa. A documentary about Sarah Palin depicts the Tea Party idol and former vice presidential candidate as a woman with enormous personal charm but merciless vindictiveness.

(AP Photo/Charlie Neibergall, File)

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TORONTO (AP) — A documentary about Sarah Palin depicts the Tea Party idol and former vice presidential candidate as a woman with enormous personal charm but merciless vindictiveness.

Director Nick Broomfield's "Sarah Palin: You Betcha!", which is playing at the Toronto International Film Festival, offers a glimpse of the former Alaska governor from interviews with family, including her parents, and former friends and associates. It screened Friday for reporters ahead of its official festival premiere Sunday. Palin comes across as a woman known for ruthlessly firing people and holding spiteful grudges, leaving many Alaskans worried to talk about her for fear of reprisals, whether from Palin or her supporters. "I think that beneath the charisma, which she undoubtedly has, and her ability to engage with people, which she undoubtedly can do, there was a sense of fear about her vindictiveness," Broomfield said in an interview before the festival. "That she would go to the ends of the earth once you became an enemy to vilify you. Not to just fire you from a job but make you unemployable anywhere." Several former supporters

say the phrase often used in Palin's circle was throwing people "under the bus." Broomfield spent 10 weeks in the winter in Palin's hometown of Wasilla, Alaska, where she was mayor before being elected governor and becoming Republican presidential contender John McCain's running mate in 2008.

In Alaska, Broomfield interviewed Palin's parents, along with supporters, former friends and longtime enemies. Palin appears in book signings and other public appearances, and the film gets its title from Palin's catchphrase — "You betcha" — which she echoed when Broomfield asks her for an interview and she replies, "I'll betcha I could do that."

Palin never did give him an interview. Broomfield, whose previous films include the musician portraits "Biggie and Tupac" and "Kurt and Courtney," said he approached Palin with an open mind, intending to make the film a diary of his findings "rather than going out to nail her."

"I think what you get is an unauthorized portrait of her from the people who know her best. Friends and family and colleagues," Broomfield said. "I think you get a very accurate portrait of her way of being and working." □

Diverse Web series grows fast through social media

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WASHINGTON (AP) — After growing tired of watching stereotypes of people of color on U.S. television screens, Issa Rae created her own vision of reality with "The Mis-Adventures of Awkward Black Girl."

The Web-based show follows J, played by Rae, and her mishaps and successes in work and love.

co-producer Tracy Oliver are packaging "Awkward Black Girl" as a half-hour comedy to sell to a cable network but are strongly thinking about keeping it online to build the audience and maintain stronger contact with viewers.

"Social media is what made the show honestly," Rae said. "Had it not been for social media, this show just wouldn't have been

it's a culture shock. ... I find it very liberating that she has created her own show. She's definitely making a lot of us think about how we can do things and how much more aggressive we should be."

Rae, 26, born Jo-Issa Rae Diop, created the concept for the show two years ago while on a public theater fellowship in New York. A Los Angeles, California, na-



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"The Web series came about because I really didn't see anybody like me on the screen, nobody that I could relate to," said Rae, the show's producer, writer and director. "There's just so many limited archetypes for black females in particular, and just people of color in general, and it's frustrating to look at the screen and only be able to relate to people like Tina Fey or Amy Poehler, people who don't look like me."

Since the series first posted online in February, the debut episode has garnered more than 240,000 hits. Subsequent episodes have received more than 100,000 hits and 1,000 viewer comments. Nearly 17,000 people are dedicated to the show's Facebook page. Rae said she and

what it is today. I couldn't have done this 10 years ago." Susan Fales-Hill, who produced and wrote for the long-running NBC situation comedy "A Different World," called Rae's work fresh, incisive, and non-stereotypical. "She is showing an educated, African-American woman leading an integrated life and a professional woman with friends of many different nationalities and backgrounds, and just trying to make her way," Fales-Hill said.

She said Rae's guerrilla approach to TV making is brilliant and an inspiration to veterans in the industry like her. "A lot of us came up during a time when there was a studio system, more jobs and you came up through the ranks," Fales-Hill said. "So for us,

she didn't know anyone in New York, and that provided many awkward experiences. After returning to the West Coast, Rae gathered a few friends to help her begin shooting the series with her own camera equipment in January.

"I knew if I didn't shoot it myself it was never going to get done," said Rae, who attended Stanford University and the New York Film Academy in Los Angeles.

Rae recruited her friend Andrew Allan James to star as A, her annoying co-worker and admirer. The diverse cast now includes J's best friend CeCe, an Indian-American, played by Sujata Day, and her love interests White J, played by Lyman Johnson, and Fred, an African-American, played by Madison T. Shockley III. □

Stimulus for skeptics



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A few years ago, Kenneth Rogoff and Carmen M. Reinhart wrote the definitive guide to the current economic downturn, a book called "This Time Is Different." Rogoff and Reinhart studied data from eight centuries of financial crises. They found that banking-crisis recessions are worse than normal recessions. They last longer.

In these recessions, it took an average of six years for housing prices to stop their decline. Unemployment rates were high or rising for an average of five years. Government debt increased by an average of more than 86 percent.

The general lesson I take from this history is that policymakers stuck in a financial recession should probably think about the long term. You're going to be stuck with a lousy economy anyway. Anything you do to try to boost the growth numbers next month or next quarter is going to be overwhelmed by the underlying forces – the continuing housing overhang, the gradual deleveraging process, the lingering mood of fear and anxiety. You might as well use the winter of recuperation to take care of the fundamentals. Work hard to fix the education system, the tax code, the fiscal mess and the regulatory system. None of these things will produce short-term benefits. But when the recession finally does run its course, the economy will be ready to surge. Paradoxically, you have more power to influence these fundamental issues than you do next month's jobs report. There's only one problem with this long-term orientation. Suppose in the middle of the winter of recuperation the economy stops recuperating? Suppose instead of grinding forward, the economy starts sliding back? In these circumstances, do you still have the luxury of thinking about the long term? Don't you have to try to reverse things here and now?

This is the problem the Obama administration is facing. Like everybody else, it has seen a sluggish economy come grinding to a halt. There is clearly now a significant risk of a double-dip recession. That would be terrible for America's workers, fiscal situation and psyche. This prospect is enough to shock even us stimulus skeptics out of our long-term focus. It's enough to force

us to contemplate the possibility of another stimulus package.

The next question is this: Does the administration have any stimulus ideas that could actually stimulate? Thursday night the president gave one of the most forceful and compelling domestic policy speeches of his presidency. His proposals were drawn from the middle of the ideological spectrum and were selected to appeal to people who don't put a lot of faith in government spending. There's a payroll tax cut, a small-business tax cut, infrastructure spending, subsidies so states don't have to lay off cops, firefighters and teachers, and a plan to use unemployment insurance to subsidize temporary work for the unemployed to get them back involved in the labor force.

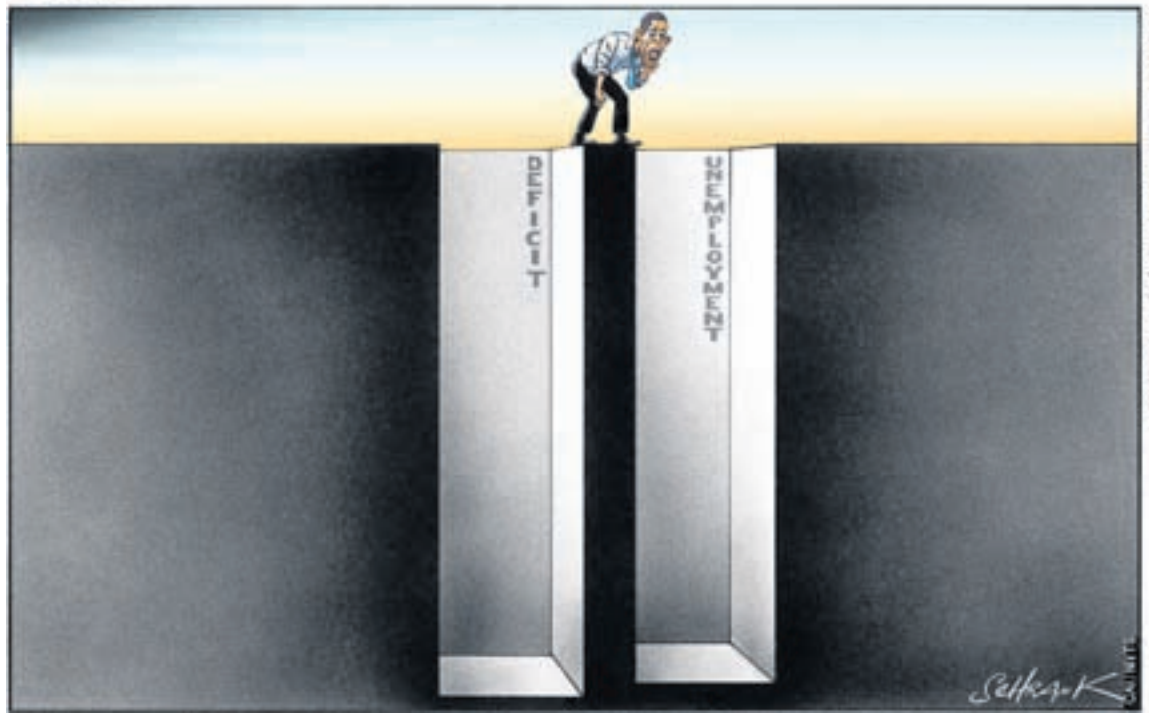
Republicans have supported most of these ideas at one time or another. Still, let's not sugarcoat things. Recent stimulus packages have not exactly lived up to the hype. Temporary tax cuts generally don't lead to much job creation. Given the long lead times involved, infrastructure spending is an odd way to combat a double dip that might be starting right now. Job subsidies often go to companies that would have hired the people anyway. One recent study showed that a plurality of the people hired under the last stimulus package already had jobs; they were just switching from one to another.

In short, the administration is putting forth a package to prevent a double-dip recession that may not come to pass with a series of measures that may not work.

Yet it's hard to walk away. The prospect of a double dip is truly horrifying. What happens if next month's job's report comes in negative? Or the one after that? Believe me, Congress will be rushing to do something then. Personally, my bottom line is this: I think the president has earned a second date. He's put together a moderate set of stimulus ideas. His plan may not be enough to jolt prosperity, but it might maintain its current slow growth. If he comes up with his own deficit proposal that pays for his programs with some serious entitlement reforms (and not merely with some boilerplate "let's tax the rich" plan), then Republicans would be wise to work with him to make his growth ideas more effective.

The mainstream economic view is that we should combine near-term stimulus with long-range austerity. Up until now, the political system has been unable to perform this two-stage approach. Republicans won't touch spending, and Democrats won't touch entitlement reform.

The president clearly wants to give it a final shot. His tone on Thursday was feisty and will please Democrats. But the substance was heterodox and worth pursuing. In this moment of peril, the country needs an insurance policy against the double dip. □



Setting their hair on fire



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First things first: I was favorably surprised by President Barack Obama's new jobs plan, which is significantly bolder and better than I expected. It's not nearly as bold as the plan I'd want in an ideal world. But if it actually became law, it would probably make a significant dent in unemployment. Of course, it isn't likely to become law, thanks to GOP opposition. Nor is anything else likely to happen that will do much to help the 14 million Americans out of work. And that is both a tragedy and an outrage.

Before I get to the Obama plan, let me talk about the other important economic speech of the week, which was given by Charles Evans, the president of the Federal Reserve of Chicago. Evans said, forthrightly, what some of us have been hoping to hear from Fed officials for years now. As Evans pointed out, the Fed, both as a matter of law and as a matter of social responsibility, should try to keep both inflation and unemployment low – and while inflation seems likely to stay near or below the Fed's target of around 2 percent, unemployment remains extremely high.

So how should the Fed be reacting? Evans: "Imagine that inflation was running at 5 percent against our inflation objective of 2 percent. Is there a doubt that any central banker worth their salt would be reacting strongly to fight this high inflation rate? No, there isn't any doubt. They would be acting as if their hair was on fire. We should be similarly energized about improving conditions in the labor market."

But the Fed's hair is manifestly not on fire, nor do most politicians seem to see any urgency about the situation. These days, the best – or at any rate the alleged wise men and women who are supposed to be looking after the nation's welfare – lack all conviction, while the worst, as represented by much of the GOP, are filled with a passionate

intensity. So the unemployed are being abandoned.

OK, about the Obama plan: It calls for about \$200 billion in new spending – much of it on things we need in any case, like school repair, transportation networks, and avoiding teacher layoffs – and \$240 billion in tax cuts. That may sound like a lot, but it actually isn't. The lingering effects of the housing bust and the overhang of household debt from the bubble years are creating a roughly \$1 trillion per year hole in the U.S. economy, and this plan – which wouldn't deliver all its benefits in the first year – would fill only part of that hole. And it's unclear, in particular, how effective the tax cuts would be at boosting spending.

Still, the plan would be a lot better than nothing, and some of its measures, which are specifically aimed at providing incentives for hiring, might produce a relatively large employment bang for the buck. As I said, it's much bolder and better than I expected. Obama's hair may not be on fire, but it's definitely smoking; clearly and gratifyingly, he does grasp how desperate the jobs situation is.

But his plan isn't likely to become law, thanks to Republican opposition. And it's worth noting just how much that opposition has hardened over time, even as the plight of the unemployed has worsened. In early 2009, as the new Obama administration tried to come to grips with the crisis it inherited, you heard two main lines from critics on the right. First, they argued that we should rely on monetary policy rather than fiscal policy – that is, that the job of fighting unemployment should be left to the Fed. Second, they argued that fiscal actions should take the form of tax cuts rather than temporary spending.

Now, however, leading Republicans are against tax cuts – at least if they benefit working Americans rather than rich people and corporations.

And they're against monetary policy, too. In Wednesday night's Republican presidential debate, Mitt Romney declared that he would seek a replacement for Ben Bernanke, the Fed chairman, essentially because Bernanke has tried to do something (though not enough) about unemployment. And that makes Romney a moderate by GOP standards, since Rick Perry, his main rival for the presidential nomination, has suggested that Bernanke should be treated "pretty ugly."

So, at this point, leading Republicans are basically against anything that might help the unemployed. Yes, Romney has issued a glossy, well-produced "jobs plan," but it might best be described as 59 bullet points with nothing there – and certainly nothing to justify his assertion, bordering on megalomania, that he would create no fewer than 11 million jobs in four years.

The good news in all this is that by going bigger and bolder than expected, Obama may finally have set the stage for a political debate about job creation. For in the end, nothing will be done until the American people demand action. □

A touch of nerves over security at New York Fashion Week

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NEW YORK (AP) — A touch of nerves over a terrorist alert permeated Day 2 of Fashion Week as the industry ran to and fro Friday through stepped-up security on road and rail. National Guard troops and transit police with assault rifles watched crowds at Penn Station and stopped vehicles at the 59th Street

Runway contestants and the Luca Luca brand.

"I'm not doing anything different really, just being more aware of my surroundings, more alert," Anuna added. "It's not really at the forefront of my mind."

Actress-singer Ashley Tisdale, on the front row at Luca Luca and Rebecca Taylor, was also mindful. "I think we're always on alert, but I feel safe," she said.

where on his runway.

For next season, he also loves flowers and feathers. Wu took risks playing with proportion for spring.

"The graphic contrast of the opposing concepts is a strong theme of the collection," he said in his notes. He said he likes taking things "out of their usual context." A shocking-pink, coated-nylon trench — sporty with its hood and drawstring —



The Project Runway designs of Kimberly Goldson are shown Friday, Sept. 9, 2011, during Fashion Week in New York.

bridge in Manhattan after counterterrorism officials received a tip of a possible al-Qaida car bombing in New York City or Washington around the Sept. 11 anniversary Sunday. "We're taking the threat seriously and are in constant contact with city and police officials," said Zach Eichman, a spokesman for IMG, which runs the eight-day series of spring previews at Lincoln Center. A London student, 20-year-old Jessica Anuna, who also edits an online fashion magazine, is staying in a Times Square hotel during her first turn at Fashion Week. "I was a bit worried to be honest, but I'm confident that New York has it under control," she said after attending shows for Project

Meanwhile, optimism prevailed on the runways for next season's style on the second day of shows for editors, retailers and stylists. After the New York catwalks close down, shows shift to London, then Milan and Paris. Jason Wu debuted a collection fit for modern sophisticates who aren't fussy or stuffy. Inspired by pop art, he went with "electrified embroideries" that mixed sequins, beads and pearls, and flashes of bright yellow, pink and blue. But he didn't stray from his classic, ladylike look so fitting for first lady Michelle Obama's inaugural gown. Peter Som's favorite tropical colors, clean shapes, rich textures and occasional quirky prints were every-

somehow complemented dressy pleated pants, as did a sparkly sequined collar on a workday shirtdress. For evening, he mixed a photo-negative digital print T-shirt with a black silk gazar skirt with a feathered peplum around the hips. There were, in fact, a lot of peplums in this collection, drawing the eye to a spot many women don't want to emphasize, but the feather versions were light enough to pull off the look. They're probably a better choice than the high-waisted pants that pouffed out in the same spot. The extra fabric fared much better on the finale look that paired a white lace shirt with a long black gazar skirt that was trailed by a long train. □



The spring 2012 collection of Peter Som is modeled on Friday, Sept. 9, 2011 during Fashion Week in New York. (AP Photo/Bebeto Matthews)



The Jason Wu Spring 2012 collection is modeled Friday, Sept. 9, 2011 during Fashion Week in New York. (AP Photo/Mary Altaffer)